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THE action of the Board at its recent Annual Meeting in placing the whole foreign department under the care of a single secretary has necessitated some changes in the force at the Rooms. It is a matter of regret that just at the time when this change is made circumstances seem to render it necessary that the Foreign Secretary, Dr. Barton, should accompany the Deputation to China. This service, with a stop on the way at Japan, will involve an absence on his part of nine or ten months. To provide for the needs in his department, the Editorial Secretary, who is the only executive officer who has long been familiar with the foreign correspondence, will have charge, with the aid of Rev. Enoch F. Bell, who being unable to return to the Japan Mission has been appointed by the Prudential Committee as Assistant Secretary in the foreign department. Dr. Barton is expecting to leave in December, having a few weeks in Japan before the other members of the Deputation shall overtake him.

Changes at the Missionary Rooms

FOR twenty-eight years the present Editorial Secretary of the Board has been in charge of the *Missionary Herald*, and deducting the period when he was absent on the Deputation to Africa he has edited all the numbers of the magazine which have appeared within these twenty-eight years, with three or four exceptions. This work, together with other editorial and secretarial work connected with the Board, now passes from his hands, and will be in charge of Rev. William E. Strong, who at the Annual Meeting of the Board was chosen an Associate Secretary. Mr. Strong has resigned his pastorate at Amherst, Mass., to accept this office, and has already entered upon his work. The changed title given to Mr. H. W. Hicks, of Associate Secretary instead of Assistant Secretary, does not indicate any change in his work, but it does mark a purpose to give enlarged scope to the department of work for young people and education.

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WITH deep sorrow we have to record the death of Rev. Charles S. Sanders, of the Central Turkey Mission. The sad tidings were received by cable from Constantinople, his death occurring on Saturday, October 27, resulting from a fall from his horse. Mr. Sanders was a son of Rev. M. D. Sanders, of the Ceylon Mission of the American Board, and was born in Ceylon in 1854, entering upon missionary work in 1879. He has been a most

Death of Rev. Charles S. Sanders

laborious and successful missionary, his work having been chiefly in evangelistic lines, touring among the churches of the district of which Aintab is the center. The loss to the mission seems irreparable. Letters from the mission regarding the sad event will not be received until this issue of our magazine goes to press, but further notice of Mr. Sanders and his work will be given in the next number.

The Almanac for 1907

Our American Board Missionary Almanac for 1907 is in preparation, and will be issued early in December. It will be as attractive in form and as packed with information as the previous numbers have been. This annual is regarded as indispensable by all who would have at hand a manual concerning the missionary work of our own Board, as well as of kindred organizations. In sending in their reports for the next year, for use in our tables, the secretaries of several denominational societies have spoken of their high estimate of the value of our Almanac, wishing their own boards had such a publication. Will not our friends throughout the land see that the securing of copies of this Almanac is made easy to the people of their churches? See advertising pages for terms.

The Estate of Solomon H. Chandler

Since these pages were made up, word has been received that the Supreme Court of Maine has decided that a certain codicil contained in the will of Solomon H. Chandler, of New Gloucester, Me., is valid. By the original will of Mr. Chandler his whole estate was bequeathed to the American Board, but some years later, after Mr. Chandler had been placed under guardianship by the Probate Court, a codicil was added directing that his estate be divided equally between the American Board and the heirs at law. According to this decision of the court the Board will ultimately receive one-half of Mr. Chandler's estate, the amount of which is not definitely known, the half being probably not less than $400,000. The terms of the will are such that from this amount $30,000 may be expended annually for four years, and after that $25,000 annually.

Sketch of Micronesia

The sketch of our Micronesian Mission, the preparation of which we recently announced, is now ready, and makes a neat volume of about 175 pages, besides sixteen full pages of illustrations and a map. The story has been prepared by Mrs. Theodora C. Bliss and is brightly told, and will be found both readable and instructive. It will be essential in the year to come to those who are specially studying missions in the Island World. Its price is thirty cents in paper covers and fifty cents in cloth. Orders may be sent to Mr. J. G. Hosmer, Congregational House, 14 Beacon Street, Boston.

The Umzumbe Home

A serious loss has befallen the Umzumbe station, in the Zulu Mission, by the burning of the teachers' house connected with the Umzumbe Home for Girls. This building was not new, having been the residence of Rev. and Mrs. Henry M. Bridgman, who opened the Home, and it subsequently became the residence of the teachers. The fire occurred the last of September, and so swift was its

progress that within a few moments everything was burned to the ground, giving little opportunity to save any of the contents. Miss Laura Smith and the other teachers, who lost almost all their personal effects, have made such temporary arrangements as were possible, but a new building must be erected at once or this flourishing school will suffer greatly.

Reports of the Annual Meeting

It has been gratifying to observe the extended notices of the Annual Meeting of the Board given by the daily and weekly press throughout the country. Never before have such full and such favorable comments appeared in the public press. The North Adams *Transcript* did an admirable piece of work in its very full record of the meetings. The weekly and religious newspapers of the country have been profuse in their commendations of the meetings, and we trust that these published reports have been widely read. We are confident that the proposed Memorial Volume will be heartily welcomed as soon as it shall be issued. Already nearly one thousand advance subscriptions have been received, giving assurance that the volume will be issued on the terms proposed. The work of preparation has already been begun, but of necessity several weeks will be required to prepare and print the volume.

Messages from India

Two messages of great interest were received by the Board from India at its Haystack Centennial meeting, and were read by Rev. Henry G. Bissell. The first was from the missionaries of the Marathi Mission, the first mission established by the Board. Translated it reads thus, *"We can and we will, if you will what you can to make India Christ's."* This was signed personally by thirty-nine members of the Marathi Mission. The other message was from the pastors and native Christians of the same mission, headed by Rev. S. R. Modak and signed by twenty-five persons, with their Marathi signature. This message to the Board refers to Mills and his associates, and reads thus: *"Because they willed what they could, we are Christ's men. By God's love we will what we can to make our Hindu land Christ's land."* What would Mills and his associates have thought if, when they were talking on the day of their meeting at the Haystack of the moral degradation of India and questioning as to the possibility of reaching its vast population, they could have known that a hundred years from that day such greetings would have come from India to a great missionary assembly, met in commemoration of their early resolve and prayer!

A Worthy Memorial

The gratitude felt by the Armenians of Harpoot, Turkey, and vicinity, and especially by the alumni of Euphrates College, toward Rev. Crosby H. Wheeler, D.D., the founder and first president of the college, has found expression in the preparation of a bust of Dr. Wheeler, in bronze, which is to be placed in Wheeler Hall, one of the college buildings at Harpoot. The plan and its execution were entirely due to Armenians now resident in the United States, some of whom are men engaged in lucrative business and to whom this work was a labor of love. They have met the entire cost, including transportation,

amounting to about $700. The sculptor is L. O. Lawrie, of Quincy, Mass., who has admirably reproduced the rugged and yet kindly face of Dr. Wheeler. This work of art will be for all time a striking testimonial both to the life and work of Dr. Wheeler and to the spirit of gratitude exhibited by his pupils.

Our German Co-Laborers

THE more we hear of the young men who have been sent by the Christian Endeavor Union of Germany to aid in the work of the Board in the Caroline and Marshall Islands, the more confident are we that most substantial aid is to come from this source for our missionary work. These young men, Messrs. Hugenschmidt, Weise, and Seibold, are well trained, and are characterized by an earnest and evangelical type of piety, and will work, we are assured, in entire harmony with our missionaries. Knowing the views of the native Christians of these islands in reference to the use of narcotics and intoxicants, which have a specially deleterious effect upon those islanders, the question naturally occurred as to what views were entertained by these German recruits. In correspondence with Pastor Blecher inquiry was made upon this point, and he replies in behalf of the German Christian Endeavorers: "It is a great pleasure to me to tell you that it would be always a chief condition for all our missionaries not to use tobacco or intoxicants. We do not consider it as respectable in our circles to use such things."

The Missionary Enterprise in China

THE reprint of the article in the *Atlantic Monthly* for September, entitled, "The Missionary Enterprise in China," by Hon. Chester Holcombe, is now ready, and copies will be sent in such numbers as are needed to those who desire to distribute them in churches or elsewhere. It is an admirable article to put into the hands of any who have doubts in regard to the value of the foreign missionary enterprise, especially in the empire of China.

Y. M. C. A. Work Abroad

THE International Committee of Young Men's Christian Associations is sending out this autumn five young men of proved ability in the home field to reënforce its foreign department. Under its auspices Dwight W. Edwards goes to Peking to aid Mr. Robert R. Gailey in the new work in behalf of the young men of China's capital, which is being supported and manned by Princeton University students and graduates; Mr. G. A. Gregg goes to become educational director of the Association at Seoul, Korea; Mr. A. A. Ward will probably be stationed at Bangalore, India; Charles L. Boynton is to become office secretary of the National Committee of China, Korea, and Hong Kong, at Shanghai; and Mr. W. A. Tener goes to Manila to direct the Association work there. Mr. W. B. Pettus, whose life has touched so many of the students of our American colleges, has gone to China to become the national students' secretary. The expanding educational life of that empire offers an almost unlimited field for his work. When these secretaries reach their fields there will be sixty-nine men in the foreign department of the Young Men's Christian Association. They are working in the large cities and student

centers of eleven countries. The Associations for which they care, directly or indirectly, number over three hundred, and have a membership of more than fifteen thousand.

A Recruit

THE single new recruit we report this month as sailing for the field is Miss Julia E. Green, who goes to Jaffna, Ceylon, her native place. She is the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Samuel F. Green. Dr. Green went as a missionary to Ceylon in 1847. He was compelled on account of his health to return to the United States in 1873, but he continued to prepare medical works in the Tamil language, and his service was most highly appreciated. Miss Green will have a most cordial welcome in Ceylon because of gratitude felt to her father. She has lived for some years in Worcester, pursuing her studies in the State Normal School in that city. She sailed from Boston October 27, accompanied by Mrs. Hattie C. Hazen, who is returning to the Madura Mission, where she is to join her husband.

MISS JULIA E. GREEN

What Shall We Do?

WE pass along to the churches and individuals of our favored Christian land the question that is frequently asked us in letters of missionaries on the field in view of the calls made upon them for preachers and teachers. Here is a specimen case, taken from a letter of Rev. Edward Fairbank, of Vadala, India: "I was making a rapid tour recently, going only to villages where church or school work was under way. Going from one village to another, I was to pass through a place that had over and over again petitioned me for a Christian school, but from lack of funds I had steadily refused. Not being able, as I felt at the time, to meet those people and refuse them so vital a request as that for a Christian school, I actually took a roundabout way so as to avoid meeting them. I suppose this was cowardly, but what can a man do who has only a deficit to face every month? I wish some of the hundreds of churches that Dr. Patton says give nothing for the Board could meet the importunity of these villages. I think that they would give the forty dollars necessary for the maintenance of the school. I passed around that village, to be sure, but I was overtaken by the people at my camp and called to account for not meeting them. It was hard to answer them."

Other similar cases are mentioned by Mr. Fairbank, from one of which we must quote: "My catechist and I were passing by another village with which I had never had anything to do and to which our preachers had never gone, so far as I know. We were simply waylaid and compelled to go to the

rest house of the village, where immediately a large crowd gathered and we were asked to preach to them and tell them about Christianity. We spent over an hour with them. Before we finished the people wanted to know why they could not have a school in their village, so that they could learn about Christianity. They had seen the difference that Christianity had made among some of their relatives, and they were anxious to have an opportunity. I told them that I would see that a preacher came to them once in a while; but they immediately said they must have a school as well." Other cases are also mentioned where the people are importunate for preachers and schools, offering to provide huts for the schools and houses for the teachers; and Mr. Fairbank adds to his list of stories: "In the face of such importunity and needs, what shall we missionaries do? Please ask the churches." What do the churches say?

A Missionary Hymn

We are glad to give on the next page a missionary hymn, with the music to which it is set, which we think will be welcomed in many of our churches. It was sung with fine effect at the Annual Meeting of the Board at North Adams. The hymn was written by Dr. C. C. Tracy, president of Anatolia College, in connection with receiving an unfavorable response from officials of the Board to a request for aid in their missionary work at Marsovan. It was to meet the depressing effect of that response that Dr. Tracy's muse was stirred to write this devout and spirited hymn. It has been set to a well-known German Chorale, harmonized and published by the Congregational Sunday School and Publishing Society, by whose kind permission it is given in our pages. We trust it will be used in many churches to incite to loyal zeal in the holy warfare to which our great Captain is calling his followers.

British Recruits

The British missionary societies usually send out their missionaries to the different parts of the world in the early autumn. In October the Church Missionary Society held farewell meetings with reference to the departure of 165 missionaries, fifty of whom were to go out for the first time. Of this number fifty-one were for Africa, forty-two for China and Japan, forty-five for India, and nineteen for Mohammedan lands. Is the time not to come when our American Board will be able to send out recruits in numbers at least approaching those thus sent by this noble British organization?

The Mission in the Great Soudan

Only a year ago six pioneer missionaries of the English Church Missionary Society reached their field on the eastern bank of the Nile, 1,000 miles south of Khartoum. They have established themselves at Sheikh Bior among the Dinkas, who are said to be warlike and quarrelsome, the men wearing no clothing. A medical dispensary has been opened, and a grammar and vocabulary of 1,000 words have been completed. Dr. Albert Cook, of the Uganda Mission, who acts as leader temporarily, regards the opening for mission work a most hopeful one; and he says, "It requires no very special courage to prophesy that Dinkaland may well follow in the footsteps of Uganda."

Missionary Battle Hymn

Oberlin
Rev. C. C. TRACY, Marsovan, Turkey

German Chorale
Harmonized by N. CLIFFORD PAGE

1. Hear, 'mid scenes of strife sur - round-ing, A - bove the bat - tle tu - mult
2. Hear the trum - pet sum-mons thrill - ing, With cour - age high each bos - om
sounding, Our heavenly Lead-er's voice of cheer: "I am with you." 'Tis the Mas-ter!
fill - ing! Oh, rise a - new in war ar - ray! Stand de- termined and u - nit - ed,
A - rise! no lon - ger fear dis - as- ter! In this is vic - t'ry, He is here! With
By love, to loy - al zeal in - cit- ed! On, on, and we shall win the day! Je -
him we dare op - pose Ten thou - sand thou-sand foes! Hal - le - lu - jah! All
ho - vah is our strength! The foe gives way at length! Hal - le - lu - jah! Now
hail the Faith- ful and the True! Up, fol - low him who died for you!
all the host tri - um-phant sings: "Hail, Lord of lords and King of kings!"

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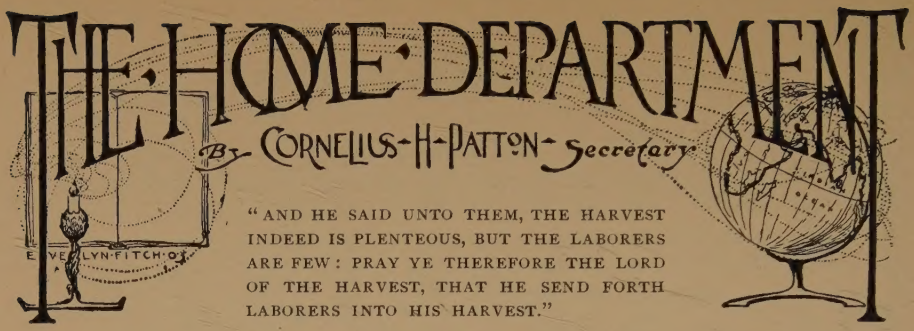
THE HOME DEPARTMENT
By Cornelius H. Patton, Secretary
"AND HE SAID UNTO THEM, THE HARVEST INDEED IS PLENTEOUS, BUT THE LABORERS ARE FEW: PRAY YE THEREFORE THE LORD OF THE HARVEST, THAT HE SEND FORTH LABORERS INTO HIS HARVEST."

Exit Debt

We have made a slight gain in regular donations for October, as compared with the same month last year, and also in legacies, but not enough to make up for the falling off in September. As a result the total regular receipts for the first two months are under those of 1905 by $10,422.41. Alongside of this should be placed the large receipts for the debt, viz., $85,417.39. When the debt payments are included we show a gain over September and October of one year ago of $80,880.84. It is with profound gratitude and a vast sense of relief that we record the payment of all the pledges for the debt. Perhaps this should be joy enough for one month. There will be no more talk about debt this year, and we trust forever. The Prudential Committee may be trusted to guard against the possibility of further debt in every possible way. The tabular statement for two months is as follows:

	October, 1905	October, 1906
Regular donations	$60,053.89	$61,219.54
Donations for the debt		76,967.42
Legacies	6,106.67	8,209.62
	$66,160.56	$146,396.58

	2 mos., 1905	2 mos., 1906
Regular donations	$83,602.06	$73,179.65
Donations for the debt		85,417.39
Legacies	9,911.67	15,797.53
	$93,513.73	$174,394.57

Loss in regular donations for two months, $10,422.41; gain in donations for the debt for two months, $85,417.39; gain in legacies for two months, $5,885.86; total gain for two months, $80,880.84.

The Lord of the Harvest

At one of our noonday devotional services in the Board Rooms, just before Dr. Judson Smith was stricken with his last illness, he commented very feelingly upon the text we have quoted above. He dwelt first upon the fact of the great harvest field among the nations, never so great or so ripe as now. Then he dwelt upon the fewness of the reapers; and raising

the question as to where we are to find laborers for so vast an undertaking he said, in the impressive and sympathetic way which all who knew Dr. Smith remember so well: "We must depend upon the Lord of the harvest. There *is* a Lord of the harvest. He realizes the need as no one else can realize it. The harvest is of his own planting. He has been working and waiting for this day. He it is that must find the laborers and send them forth into his great field. What we are called upon to do is to coöperate with him in the work and in the securing of the workers. We must do our own part and then pray for others to help." We do not attempt to quote Dr. Smith's exact words, but such was the substance of an impressive and helpful statement. We mention it here as a fitting prelude to the appeal we now make for new missionaries for the great white harvest fields of the American Board.

We Need Men

We have spoken before of the pressing need of an ordained missionary at Bitlis, Turkey, and another at Lin Ching, China. We now add nine other fields — Bombay and Madura, India; Ceylon (Jaffna College); North China; Shansi; Natal; East Central Africa; Central Turkey; Philippine Islands (a medical missionary). These calls are imperative, and should be met this year. As many more might be mentioned, hardly less pressing, but it is doubtful if the funds of the Board will allow of appointment this fiscal year. As to the need at Madura, Dr. J. E. Tracy writes the Home Secretary as follows: "Please let me say that we need men almost as desperately as we need money. I'd write it all in capitals if I thought it would impress you any more deeply. We need MEN! We need the best men, and we need one or two coming out at not too long intervals, to grow into the places that are now needing them, and presently to fill the places that are going to fall vacant some of these days. I am only fifty-six by years, but I am a great deal more than that by weariness, not of the work but in the work. We need MEN! We need MEN! We need MEN!"

We Need Women

Here is an extract from a touching letter by Mrs. Williams, widow of one of our martyrs in the Shansi Mission. Writing from Oberlin as to the appeal of Miss Heebner, of Tai-ku, for a helper, she says: "I know the heart anguish of every one there, for we had to bear it all before they went to the field. It was as if a battery of cannon balls were being poured into our midst from day to day from villages about us, from the plains and from the mountain side beyond us: 'Won't you send us a teacher?' 'Won't you come and tell my people the old, old story?' 'Won't you come and preach to us on Sunday?' etc.; and we would have to turn away with breaking hearts and shaking heads and say, 'We cannot do all you want us to do.' They could not understand. 'Are there no more men and women in America to come to us?'" Was there ever a more beseeching situation than this? Are there not young ladies in Congregational homes who can devote themselves to such work as this? What an opportunity

this is to make one's life count! And this is only one case among many. We need right now thirty-five unmarried women workers. If possible we want them to have a college education or its equivalent. If they have had a teaching experience, so much the better. They should be under thirty years of age, of strong physique, and must know the voice of the Lord of the harvest when he calls.

Prayer Union

In connection with our organized effort to promote prayer in behalf of missions, it is of interest to note that one of the earliest beginnings of the modern missionary movement was in a call for prayer issued by a company of ministers in Scotland in 1714. They urged all to join in a "united, extended application to God" for a general outpouring of the Holy Spirit "on all the churches of the Redeemer and on the whole habitable earth." They suggested that Saturday afternoon and Sunday morning of each week be set apart for these sessions of united supplications. Many "praying societies" were started at that time. Jonathan Edwards lent his great influence to the movement by issuing a treatise, entitled, "An humble attempt to promote *explicit agreement and visible union* of God's people in extraordinary prayer for a revival of religion and the advancement of Christ's kingdom on earth." Thus it will be seen that such a movement as our Prayer Union has a good foundation in the history of the church, as it has also in the Bible. We trust the movement may commend itself to many more friends on this account. We shall be glad to mail the prayer card to any inquirer, and also to furnish pastors with cards for distribution among their people.

We ask special prayers during December for the Prudential Committee in deciding upon the appropriations for the year to come. We are sending letters to some five thousand individual donors of last year, asking them not to reduce their gifts this year, but to help us maintain the gain of $150,000 over recent years. Much depends upon these letters. We ask you to pray that these may meet with a hearty and quick response.

Objects for Prayer Abroad: Pray also for the Gregorian students in the Marash Theological Seminary of whom Dr. Lee writes, and for the enlightenment of the whole Gregorian Church; for the Indian tribes in Mexico referred to by Mr. Hahn; and that the light of the gospel may dissipate the superstitions of Africa. (See page 588.)

The Testimony of the Press

No meeting in the history of the Board has received so much attention in the secular press as the Haystack Centennial. In looking over the reports and editorial comments in about fifty different papers we are impressed first by the wide advertising of our work in this way and then by the changed attitude of editors towards the foreign missionary enterprise. A few years ago the press was full of doubt as to the expediency and propriety of this work. Not infrequently depreciating and slurring remarks were made in regard to the personality and work of the missionary. Today there is almost

an entire lack of that spirit. While the editors of our secular journals naturally emphasize the philanthropic and civilizational aspects of missions rather than the evangelistic, they give for the most part a hearty indorsement to the work, granting it prominent place among the factors making for human betterment. This changed attitude is a cause for profound gratitude and will do much toward commending foreign missions to the reading and thinking public. We expect some day to see the press one of the mightiest agencies for the promoting of the cause of foreign missions among our church members and business men.

The Work of Corporate Members

One of our newly elected Corporate Members writes asking instructions as to the duties of Corporate Members. The best general answer we can give is to quote from a letter from another member received at the same time. He is a layman and at the head of an important business enterprise. He says: "I am sure I appreciate the honor of my election to the Board. I accept, I hope, with a proper sense of the responsibility which such a stewardship lays upon me. I am very glad to be able to say that God is prospering me beyond any expectations of mine and I am to handle this trust in a manner pleasing to him. I have been a very busy man the last fifteen years building up a new business, and I am not informed upon mission work as well as I ought to be. I wish you could recommend me a dozen or twenty books that cover the whole phase of the question. I would like to add them to my library and read them in a convenient way." That is a model letter and it brought cheer to our hearts as few letters do. We have a splendid power in our Corporate Members, and those recently elected will add materially to our efficiency. In another issue we may speak in detail of what Corporate Members can do; but while we are on the subject it may be worth mentioning the names of the books we recommended our correspondent to read. They are as follows: Beach's Geography and Atlas of Missions; "Christian Missions and Social Progress," by Dennis (3 vols.); "Students and the Modern Missionary Crusade" (report of Nashville Student Volunteer Convention); The Ecumenical Conference Report; "Study of Christian Missions," by Clarke; Gulick's "The Evolution of the Japanese"; "The Mikado's Empire," by Griffis; Hardy's "Life of Neesima"; Smith's "Chinese Characteristics"; Miss Miner's "Chinese Book of Martyrs"; "Modern India," by Curtis; Hamlin's "My Life and Times"; Zwemer's "The Mohammedan World of Today"; Blaikie's "Life of Livingstone"; Noble's "The Redemption of Africa"; Tyler's "Forty Years among the Zulus"; Life of John G. Paton. These are all standard works, and it is interesting to notice that nine of them have been written by persons connected in one way or another with our own Board.

ONE-THIRD OF THE ASSEMBLY AT THE MISSION PARK MEETING

The Centennial Meeting at Mission Park, Williamstown

Of the many noteworthy sessions of the recent Annual Meeting of the Board, we are confident that the service held on Wednesday afternoon at Mission Park, close by the Haystack Monument, was regarded as the most impressive. The sunshine after the rain made the place most attractive aside from the sacred associations of the spot. The arrangements for the seating of the great crowd present were most admirable. Every heart seemed in full sympathy with the occasion. We are glad to give on the opposite page a photo-engraving which shows just one-third of the audience that faced the platform. The size of our page would not allow of a larger picture showing the whole audience, comprising from 2,500 to 3,000 persons. This audience was as notable for its character as for its size. There was a hush upon the assembly, so that in the peculiarly favorable natural amphitheater in which all were seated, every one was enabled to hear all that was said from the platform. The addresses which were there given will be printed, so far as possible, in the forthcoming Memorial Volume, but no words can give the full impression of the scene. To many the incident that aroused the greatest emotion was the presentation of the ten young men coming from different mission fields in foreign lands, who stood one after another upon the platform and uttered a few words of thanksgiving for what God had wrought for them and their countrymen through the agency of foreign missions. On a succeeding page will be found a photo-engraving of eight of these ten young men, who chanced to meet at the Haystack Monument at the close of the afternoon meeting, where President Capen was found with them and where they were photographed. The names of these young men, beginning at the reader's left, are: Rev. Philip Reitinger, a Bohemian by birth, converted there in connection with the mission to Austria, but later a pastor of a German church in Chicago; Mr. Oscar M. Chamberlain, a native of Sivas, Western Turkey. Between these two and President Capen stand two Chinese, Mr. Fei Chi Hao and Mr. H. H. Kung, the latter being a lineal descendant of Confucius. On President Capen's left stand a Zulu, Stephen Gumede, a graduate of the Amanzimtoti Seminary, Natal, now a student at Ann Arbor; Arnold S. Hiwale, of Bombay, India; Rev. S. Sato, a graduate of the Doshisha, of Japan; and Rev. Frederico Ponce, of Mexico. Mr. Henry H. Kulasinghe, a native of Ceylon, who has been studying of late in Oxford, Eng., and Mr. Akaiko Akana, of Hawaii, were not present when the photograph was taken.

On the cover of this issue we give a photo-engraving of the two Chinese young men, Mr. Fei Chi Hao and Mr. H. H. Kung, who have been studying for two or three years at Oberlin, but are now at Yale Seminary. These young men made a most favorable impression, both by their manner and their speech; but the address of Mr. Fei was made especially impressive by the fact that he had passed through the Boxer outbreak in China, and both his father and mother suffered martyrdom, while he himself narrowly escaped

with his life. We should be glad to print the addresses of all these young men, but must content ourselves with giving the address of Mr. Fei.

Mr. Fei Chi Hao's Address

Friends of the American Board: It is a great pleasure and honor to stand before you this afternoon on this great occasion as one of the many fruits of your missionary work in China. I can do no better in the few minutes allotted me than to tell you what the missionaries whom you commissioned have done for me and for my family, though there is nothing in ourselves to boast of, but I must bear testimony to the transforming power of Christianity.

Through my father's severe illness, some twenty-five years ago, he was converted to the Christian religion under the influence of the missionaries of the Congregational denomination, and my mother soon followed in his steps and became a faithful follower of Jesus Christ. They gave up idol worship, card playing, and many other worldly pleasures. They put my brother, my two sisters, and myself into Christian schools. My mother was not educated, and never had a chance to go to school; but at the age of forty-two, soon after her conversion, the missionaries began to teach her to read, so that at her death there was not a single Chinese character in the New Testament that she did not know. Day after day for several years she used to sit in the women's dispensary in my native city of Tung-chou and tell the simple but beautiful story of Jesus to hundreds of women, until finally, in 1900, she gladly gave up her earthly life for the Master whom she had learned to love. Both of my parents are now wearing the martyr's crown in the "home" above. This is a sample of what I call the result of your work.

I am always glad and thankful that I was born in a Christian home — a rare privilege that very few Chinese have — and that I was educated in your missionary schools for fifteen years. I knew the missionaries in Tung-chou almost as early as I knew my parents, and I am proud to be called, not "friend," but the "son" of the missionaries of the American Board. It is my high ambition now to follow in the footsteps of your missionaries and carry back the blessed message to my people in the near future. This also is what I call a result of your work.

May I tell you some other sad but glorious results of your work during the Boxer uprising in 1900? It is a pitiful thing that a large number of your missionaries were massacred by the Boxers; but do you know, friends, that a much larger number of the native converts perished together with them? For instance, in my native city of Tung-chou more than half of the 400 native Christians were killed, more than two-thirds in the city of Tai-ku, scores in Pao-ting-fu, Peking, Kalgan, and many other places. Many of these native martyrs had chances to escape and thus to save their lives, but the power of Christianity and the love of your missionaries got hold of their hearts. They preferred to die with their missionary friends than to escape and live alone. This I call another result of your work.

I am not ashamed that I am a Chinese. I sincerely believe the beautiful

saying in our church, "The blood of the martyrs is the seed of the church." The blood of the many thousand native converts became the seeds of the native church, and made my country much richer than she was before. This

THE NATIVE CONVERTS AT THE HAYSTACK MONUMENT

also is the result of missionary work. Is it worth while, then, to continue your work there in the dark kingdom?

China is in a most critical condition just now. She has aroused from her long slumber. She wants to change and reform. She wishes to adapt herself to Western civilization. But, alas! she only wants the fruits of Chris-

tianity, but not the root. We need colleges and universities. We need warships and good soldiers. We need to build railroads and open up mines. But the thing that we need most just now is Christianity. The Christian religion is the only hope and salvation of China. The work of our Board is at present in a flourishing condition. Pardon me if I use the slang expression and tell you that our work is simply "booming." New converts are increasing at a tremendous rate, and the present golden opportunity for doing missionary work will not last long. Are you willing to seize the advantage and make good use of this opportunity to reap the harvest that is ready and waiting for you?

Let us not look at the sunny side of your work only. It is characteristic of the Christian religion that it is not welcomed at first, wherever it goes. Jesus himself was persecuted and crucified, and many of his disciples were put to death likewise. And it has happened time and again in church history that the disciples of Jesus Christ have had to give up their earthly lives for the truth and to die for the principle for which they stood. Why, then, do you wonder that some of your missionaries were unwelcome in China, and that some of them were massacred? It is hard for the average Chinese to understand your religious motives. They cannot understand why you have spent a large amount of money and energy and made great sacrifices to send out these missionaries; but let me assure you that some day they will all understand, and will find that the missionaries are the best friends they have in China. Continue your work and do your best; you will feel repaid at the end. There will be no regret for whatever energy, money, and prayer you may be able to put into this missionary enterprise.

Before I sit down let me, in behalf of the happy and grateful native converts of the North China and South China Missions and of the Foochow and Shansi Missions, express to you our hearty thanks for what you have done for us in the past and for what you are doing for us now, and let me take the liberty to thank you in advance for what you will continue to do for us in the future.

On behalf of my brothers who are still in the darkness, let me earnestly beseech you, my dear friends, come over and help us. We do need you.

The Witchcraft Delusion in South Africa

By Rev. Charles H. Maxwell, of the Zulu Mission

THE recent trip made with my associates through the district of Natal, which is now a scene of desolation, has impressed me strongly with the fact that superstition dies a very hard death. We were the first white men to enter this district after the fighting, and we remained there a week. All the white men had fled into Durban, or elsewhere, and none of them had ventured to return. This desolation which we have witnessed could not have taken place were it not for the witchcraft delusion. If witchcraft was

the scandal of New England in a past century, it is no less the shame of South Africa today. It is one of the most vicious and at the same time about the most immovable institution that our mission in Natal seeks to uproot. In Massachusetts it killed its few poor old women and still stands

TYPICAL ZULU WARRIORS WITH SHIELD AND ASSEGAI

in disrepute. Here it has just killed its hundreds of strong young men and old warriors. Coming centuries may not be able to forget, but will attach little ill fame, for this is Africa. I do not mean that this rebellion was the result of witchcraft; but that the war once entered upon, its results may be

largely charged to witchcraft. The witch doctor played such an important rôle that many hundreds of strong-bodied men who lived in comfortable homes seven weeks ago are dead today, and their bodies still unburied — a suitable sacrifice at the altar of superstition by which the Zulu believes in the power and the methods of the witch doctor.

Every Zulu soldier entered battle under the banner of the witch doctor, confident in the infallibility of his advice. This is the key to much recent history in Natal. It accounts for the conduct of natives in battle, their absolute recklessness, the methods of their warfare, nearly all their tactics, and largely for the resulting enormous loss of life. Every man was "doctored" for war. I may illustrate by telling what happened at the kraal of an important chief, Meseni. The men of his large tribe were ordered to appear at the chief's kraal to prepare for war. A witch doctor was engaged, and under his direction, since the battle was to be with white men, blood must be secured from a white man's body for the service. A governmental supervisor of roads, innocently passing on his bicycle, was caught and made the subject of indescribable torture. Significant rites were performed upon his body. Stretched out upon the ground, the chief sat upon him as a sign of death. Directed by the doctor, they then cut off the soles of his feet and made him walk so that tracks of blood remained in the dust. Other members of his body were in turn removed. The witch doctor claimed and still has the man's head. He was able to touch the body of each warrior after this and make him immune to the bullets of white men's guns. The assegai of each Zulu was then dipped into the blood of this white man, and thus "blessed," so that it would take the life of a white man and never fail.

Here, then, when the witch doctor had finished, was an army of a thousand men, perfectly confident that no ill could befall them. A few days later, each man, carrying only one assegai, because that one was all that it was supposed he could need, walked into the faces of an equal number of Natal soldiers whose rifles repeated ten dumdum bullets per minute for each soldier, and a number of newly invented Maxim guns, able to discharge 600 shots each per minute. Such rapid death was never known before in warfare. Save for the occasional man who successfully hid himself in the "bush," all the men on one side were killed, while on the other side not one man lost his life. A few days later another army tried the same experiment, advancing in the same time-honored formation of right and left wings by which Chaka made the Zulus famous in the past. The result was the same. And still they will not be worsted while magic may be implored.

Going near these battlefields exactly three weeks after the fight I saw scores of dead bodies. Some of these were directly in the road. The same superstition which put them there prevents the friends of the dead from touching them. Why the Natal government was so careless in its guardianship of the colony's interests as to leave the enemy unburied, I cannot attempt to answer. It may be as easy to excuse one side for superstition as to excuse the other without any reason. However that may be, it was necessary for us in passing through on the public highway, a fine, broad road, to cover our faces with cloths saturated with carbolic acid and camphor.

The Zulu says when in trouble, "I am a lopped tree." This is true today of all those who in this recent experiment intrusted themselves to witchcraft. The heathen in his blindness is slow to see that he has bowed down to wood and stone. The very chief who with the witch doctor did what I have described once told one of our missionaries, that "were it not for just a few things" he would be a Christian. We had no one who could leave his work to conduct a mission at the chief's kraal, and so we failed to save him and to forestall the ruinous work which he was destined to perform. Besides all that I have described, charge up to witchcraft the destruction of hundreds of picturesque homes, for it was when the Natal army came to Meseni's kraal and found the white man mutilated that they turned back and swept the country like a wind of fire, burning every hut. That night every hilltop and valley for miles about this center had its burning home; and a native describing the scene as a "picture of hell" reminded me of Sherman's famous definition of war. Also, the conditions which confront Natal at the close of this trouble mean no less to the colony with its debt than did the period of reconstruction to the United States at the close of its Civil War. May God grant the leadership whereby we shall come safely into the light.

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The New Station in West Africa

THE new station opened by Dr. Wellman and Mr. Ennis on the slope of Mt. Elende, in the Chiyaka country, has been named by the mission and the natives in honor of Rev. Walter W. Bagster, who was the pioneer in the West African Mission, and who died only two years after its establishment. This seems most fitting, but the name will not be recognized except by the natives. Mr. Bagster's Umbundu name was Sachikela, and the station will be known hereafter by this name. It is 6,000 feet above sea level, and the mountain, on the side of which it is located, is visible for many miles in all directions. From the summit thirty-five or forty groups of villages are visible. The land in the vicinity is reported as rich, and the water fresh and plentiful.

Our China "Northfield"

By Rev. Elwood G. Tewksbury, of North China

Our China "Northfield" is among the lotus hills of Peitaiho beach, and Peitaiho (pronounced Bay-die-her) is on the North China coast, just across the gulf from Port Arthur. A few rented acres on the hillside among the pines, a chapel and "tents" made from barracks left by the German soldiers, young Chinese Christian workers invited from the different missions in Manchuria, Chihli, and Northern Shantung, and the first China "Northfield" Convocation came into being in the summer of 1903.

Of course we mean for everybody to have a thoroughly good time. That means "uplift" for body, mind, and soul. To get the first is easy. Are you

GROUP OF DELEGATES IN FRONT OF THE BARRACK CHAPEL

thinking what it must mean to these brown sons of the dusty plain and mud village, this first morning in camp, to wake up at bugle call among the oaks and pines, all about them the evidences of God's love and care in hill and sea and sky? As they rise to wander in the groves (some of them never saw sea or hill or woods), climb the rocky hills, breathe the refreshing air, sport in the salt surf, or lie out on the great rocks looking up into God's heaven, out upon his glorious sea, and down into their own hearts; away from the heat and the struggle, out of the dull monotony of wickedness and spiritual torpor, up into God's clear air, to see his visions and hear his voices, to commune with nature and know in it nature's God — this is the first lesson of our China "Northfield." The noon hours are set apart in the daily plan for sports and recreation. No sitting round with fans is allowed. Off to the beach for bathing is of course the main thing. Football is all right, too,

for Mr. Gailey, one of the hosts, was once "full back" on the Princeton team. What with baseball, running, jumping, climbing, etc., there is plenty to make the vigorous Christians we are after. After the sports, back up the hill for dinner, and after the dinner and a nap we are ready for the "quiet hour" out under the trees.

PEITAIHO BEACH

The Evangelization of China

More important is the "uplift" prepared for mind and soul, and just as interesting also. This last year the general subject was "The Evangelization of China." A morning Bible class studied the topic of personal work, and measures were taken to press the subject directly home upon each man, questions and lessons being assigned for study during the afternoon "quiet hour." Following breakfast came the Workers' Conference, where the best methods of Christian work are considered, and most interesting were the discussions. Perhaps one of the most important features of this style of gathering is the opportunity afforded for picked native workers of all grades and denominations to meet in free discussion under the leadership of some of the best informed missionaries in North China. At five o'clock come our "platform" meetings, powerful addresses from many of the same men.

But the best meeting of all is on the hillside rocks far up above the camp — the sunset meeting, our China "Round Top." Here in the dusk we sing together the same hymns you love in America, pray together that God would fit us more thoroughly to win souls for him, and join in mutual pledges to lay aside all that hinders and accept the Holy Spirit's guidance for more consecrated service. Truly, as Dr. Arthur Smith writes: "Before the meetings of 1905 were nearly over the Spirit of God took charge of them, and there were searchings of heart on the part of native (and foreign) pastors of long standing, as well as on that of many helpers, teachers, and others. Some who stood altogether on the outside were deeply touched, and humbly confessed their sins and asked for prayers and guidance."

At our last sunset meeting it is the custom for missionary families to gather with the Chinese workers in little social groups along the hillside. After the basket lunch and tea come words of counsel and encouragement from missionaries of the various denominations. Visions of a new power in Christian work unfold themselves, of a new and united Church of Christ for China (the delegates are affiliated with some six or seven different missions), of a resurrected China which Christ can honor and raise to a high place in his kingdom. And coupled with this comes a deeper realization of personal

responsibility, an enthusiasm to know more thoroughly God's message, and at last a real "call" to be used of the Master for the evangelization of their country. Do you wonder one of the young men said to me as we came down from the mount, "Below the heavens is there anything happier than this!" The editor of *Tientsin Young Men* writes of one of the convocations: "There was a new light in their faces, a new hope in their eyes, a new strength in their bodies, a new spirit in their lives, and a new determination for life's work and service. We truly believe this conference marks a new departure, a new step forward for Christianity in China."

The Convocation Deputies

The last Sabbath of the convocation was a memorable one. There were many meetings, a "love feast," a communion service with native deacons from six different denominations, and, perhaps most significant in its results, a consecration service, where, in response to a spontaneous desire on the part of the native delegates to preserve and extend the inspiration gained at Peitaiho, four convocation deputies were chosen. These men were asked to visit the various centers of Christian work and there convene union gatherings for the deepening of the spiritual life. A most wonderful revival in the home church of the deputy belonging to the London Mission followed his return from the convocation. Two others — Pastor Liu, of the American Methodist Mission, and Pastor Jen, of the North Congregational Church in Peking — like Paul and Silas of old, "visited the churches" in Peking, Tientsin, Mukden, and other places. This purely Chinese and undenominational work in the churches, perhaps the first truly native work of the kind, is certainly most significant in its present aspect, and fraught with many possibilities for the future. Pastor Jen writes of the visit of two of the deputies to Manchuria: —

[TRANSLATION]

"The first day of the Mukden Conference there were 200 present, the next 300, the third 400, each day increasing, until on Sunday the church could not hold the crowd, 100 and more being compelled to remain outside. . . . They treated us as they might have treated angels from heaven; may God grant them the unspeakable riches of his grace. . . . We were away from home some thirty-nine days. We were traveling eighteen of these days; during the remaining twenty-one days we held ninety-eight meetings. The churches contributed largely to our traveling expenses, and this, not from our own asking, but from their own happy thought. Many times men and women asked when we were coming again, evidently unsatisfied with the short period we could remain in their midst — a week in each place would be undoubtedly their desire — but we could not leave our home churches to suffer for so long a time. Two pastors might well be set apart to visit all the Mandarin-speaking regions. . . . If this could be arranged for, I feel confident mission names would erelong be buried and a real spirit of union come to us all. Such ideas once entering a man's mind, the resulting benefits are higher than the clouds. From the Yang-tse on the south, China, north and south, all united in *one church of Christ*. If the church had had no denominational divisions, who now could measure its power! If, of old, differences had not been perpetuated, I believe the New Jerusalem would early have come down to earth. But even now there are those who still cling to their contentions, and thereby prevent Christ from accomplishing His will in the church. Is it to be supposed that in heaven there are to be differences, a separate place there for *my* church? Oh, how much do we long that very, very quickly the Holy Spirit of oneness may dissolve our differences, and the prayer of our Lord to his Father be fulfilled — that we all may *be one*."

The Future Chinese Church

Some of us see great encouragement just at this crisis in the development of Christianity in China — the glorious possibility that this China "Northfield" may inspire a genuine enthusiasm for Bible study and personal work for men among our Chinese leaders and evangelists, who may mean for the East what Moody and Smith, Torrey and Morgan mean to the West. In a sense unprecedented in any country at any stage of the world's history, today in China does the native church of Christ demand our earnest prayer

PASTOR LIU AND PASTOR JEN
Two of the Convocation Deputies

and careful thought. Truth, purity, unity, catholicity must be its ideals, earnest study of the Bible and enthusiastic personal work its method. Its leaders must be men thoroughly equipped and endued of the Spirit for special service. Its membership must be intelligent, living exemplary lives, able and willing not only to support their church work, but to lead in every good work in the name and for the sake of their Christ. Then the "white men" who have so much the "burden" of China on our hearts and are praying and laboring for the "coming day" in the Far East may not be saddened as we hear the cry, "China for the Chinese"; for ringing clear, above the strife of ambitions, we hear the trumpet call of his church — "China for Christ."

DEPARTMENT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE AND EDUCATION

Conducted by Harry Wade Hicks

Important Missionary News for Young People

THE missionary institutes held this fall at Worcester, Dayton, Newark, Boston, Troy, Chicago, Philadelphia, Cleveland, Baltimore, Hartford, and Toronto have set mission study plans forward most successfully. Any person in these and other cities who has the time and desire to study to teach can render a great service by volunteering his services. Help some weak church by investing eight weeks of your thought and missionary devotion in a fine group of young people who otherwise cannot learn about India and her millions and their longing for Christ.

Institutes will be held in Montreal November 28–30, and on the Pacific coast during January, as follows: Los Angeles, 3–5; San Francisco, 10–12; Portland, 17–19; Tacoma, 21–23; Seattle, 24–26; and Spokane, 29–31. Minneapolis will be included in the tour on February 4–6. The party of leaders going to coöperate with the coast leaders will consist of Mr. E. D. Soper, of the Young People's Missionary Movement; Dr. E. E. Chivers, of the Baptist Home Mission Society; Miss Ethel D. Hubbard, of Wellesley, Mass., representing the Young People's Department of the American Board; Miss Ella D. MacLaurin, representing the American Baptist Missionary Union, and two others whose names cannot now be given. Congregational Christian Endeavor Societies are alert to gain the advantages of these gatherings. Pastors and officers of Sunday schools are urged to attend and get their key workers into the classes for training.

The dates for the Sunday School Conference to be held at Silver Bay during 1907 have been fixed at July 12–18, and the General Missionary Conference at July 19–28. Building and improvements have been going on rapidly at Silver Bay, the boathouse having been completed, the athletic field partially finished, and the foundations for the auditorium laid.

Mr. C. V. Vickrey, secretary of the Young People's Missionary Movement since its organization, sailed from New York on November 6 for a tour of mission fields, during which he will travel in England, Europe, India, Japan, and China. He will be joined about January 1 by Mr. S. Earl Taylor, of the Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church. Their tour will be about ten months in duration.

Mr. C. C. Michener, of New York, has accepted the call of the Young People's Missionary Movement to be its general secretary, to begin service on December 1. Mr. Michener is leaving the office of secretary of the Industrial Department of the International Young Men's Christian Association. He came to that office from the position of Western student secretary of the International Committee, and before that held positions as secretary in a Western state and university. His experience with student and industrial work and his ability as a speaker on religious subjects and in guiding the development of affairs demanding the coöperation of men of influence make him capable of leading this federated missionary activity

on behalf of the home and foreign mission boards of the country. Mr. Michener is a Friend by birth and training, but at present is a member of the enterprising Congregational missionary church at White Plains, N. Y., of which Congregationalists are proud and of which Rev. William D. Street is pastor.

Several new stations are about to be opened for subscription under the Station Plan, and much improved service through literature and letters is promised. Donors are requested to adopt this plan whenever the help of letters is desired. Shareholders everywhere among Sunday schools and Endeavor Societies express full satisfaction with the way the plan works. Whenever possible gifts should be sent under the Station Plan, for their application helps the Board cover the expenses of the current year.

Reports from mission study classes using "The Christian Conquest of India" are being received in the offices daily. Frequent letters telling of greater gifts because of better information suggest that one of the best methods of promoting giving is to promote mission study. Let us hear of the new classes, with names of teachers and number enrolled.

Six hundred and five Endeavor Societies during 1905–06 gave $11,192 through the American Board, and 848 societies gave $8,895 through the Woman's Boards, a total of $20,087. One thousand and forty-nine Sunday schools gave $18,701 to the American Board, and in addition $6,093 were given through the Woman's Boards, or a total of $24,794. This is a good record for the societies and Sunday schools that contribute. Will not many more join the ranks of the contributing and get some of the blessing?

The Denominational Organization in Relation to Young People and Missions

II. On Identifying the Missionary Objective of Young People with the Objectives of the Older Church Members

(Continued from October)

THE future prosperity of Congregational foreign missions is dependent largely upon present preparation for a future missionary activity. Such activity will be characterized by gift of life for missionary service, if in the present the young in the home and church are being taught to think of missionary service as a desirable life work. The coming generation of church members will believe in prayer as the chief method of work on behalf of missions if now, by example and precept in the home and church, the children are trained to pray for missions and missionaries. Giving "as God hath prospered" in the future will be the common practice of those who now in their early years are led by their fellows and elders to see the dignity and value, as well as obligation, of giving regularly and with sacrifice. It would be shortsighted to do otherwise than recognize the responsibility of the present church for the future missionary achievement of the church. And what may be said of the church in general should be said for each branch of the church. Congregational training of the young *now* is, humanly speaking, already determining what Congregational foreign missions of the year 1930 will be.

The future, therefore, is to be safeguarded by foresighted use of the present. The methods employed should be adequate to meet the future need. While strategic years of special opportunity and of immense value

to the church in different fields come and go, every fact connected with Congregational foreign missions points to a most rapidly enlarging opportunity to plant self-supporting and self-propagating Christian churches. Every future resource of the churches at home will be taxed to the full to keep pace with the normal growth of the work. Wise methods must be employed to prepare those who are now young for their future tasks.

Whatever the plan within the church or denomination, it must be continuous, comprehensive, and unified. *Continuous* because of the rapid graduation of children within the church from the home up through the various church organizations into positions of leadership in church and denominational affairs, or into a mode of life hostile or indifferent to missionary work. There is no year when contact with the missionary atmosphere can safely be denied the child or the young man or woman. To make the missionary training thus continuous requires, not only perseverance within a given year, but settled and wisely outlined schemes of effort, adapted to the changing capacities and needs of the young, and extending in a related way both from one year to another, and also from one department of the church to another.

Such a plan should be *comprehensive* and *unified*, including all departments of the local church and all the benevolences of the denomination. Happy the minister whose missionary leaders are federated in a practical missionary family or committee or council! Such a federation, however simple in form or limited in its program, is possible in every church. Through it can be made up the missionary budget of the year for all departments separately and as a whole. By means of it the educational plans may be harmonized, overlapping prevented, and efficiency greatly increased, resulting in a timely and normal presentation throughout the year of a maximum amount of missionary information. For the sake of the young, this federation should include the Sunday school, the Endeavor Societies, the various woman's missionary societies and allied bands or circles, the other clubs, classes, or leagues doing independent missionary work, and the church proper, headed by the pastor.

The value of such a plan to the organizations composed of young people cannot be overestimated. By it their attention and interests are directed to the affairs of the church and denomination. It will be particularly valuable to the Endeavor Societies as supplementing the interdenominational affiliation, through whose meetings intimate and detailed knowledge of denominational ideals and enterprises cannot reasonably be expected to come to them. In like manner the missionary policy of the Sunday school can be more closely identified with the benevolent interests of the church and denomination, and the help of the church missionary leaders secured more continuously in the missionary instruction given in the various departments of the school. Furthermore, this identification of objectives and plans between the church and the departments composed of children and young people is essential alike to the adult leaders, the leaders among the young, the spiritual vitality of the church, and its denominational efficiency.

Such a federation of departments should agree on the best methods of promoting mission study, assigning definite responsibility to each department, to be borne in the way best calculated by the leaders to instruct those within their respective spheres of activity. In this way progression in instruction may be secured, as well as continuity and a graded literature. A similar agreement concerning objects to be supported by gifts from each department should be sought each year.

There is much to be said in favor of a budget of benevolences for the entire church, each department or organization to assume responsibility

for its fair proportion, all accounts to be recorded by the church treasurer, and departments to give through the church treasury to the societies, the treasurer indicating in the letter accompanying his remittance from what organization within the church the money comes. This system of coöperation makes normal training of leaders and teachers easy, acquaints each department with the plans and successes of others, unites the departments in prayer and sacrifice, and recognizes the headship of the minister, the interdependence of the departments, and the desirable measure of independence in each department. For the Endeavor Society and Sunday school such relations are peculiarly valuable, because the riper judgment of minister and church officers furnishes counsel much needed in properly directing funds to the objects which these departments are most obligated to support.

The separation sometimes observed of young people's organizations, both in spirit and plan of work, from the church of which they are a part may be partially explained by failure of the leaders of one to coöperate properly with those of the other; but back of this and all other reasons is failure to identify the purposes and objectives of the church with the young, and of the young with the church.

The importance of this fact should not be overlooked in the attempt to strengthen the religious organizations of the young or prepare the present generation of children and young people for future missionary achievement. Objectives having a practical connection with the organized and personal activities of the local church and the denomination of which it is a part should be held before the young people. This is true, because the chief business of the church is missions. Any objective which leads young people on a Christian mission, or to aid or promote a missionary effort in the name of Christ, is worthy of a high place among their ideals and in their activities. As long as Christian service is fundamentally the basis of Christian living, missions in their varied forms must be the chief activity of all Christians, and their promotion the controlling passion of the young.

To hold before young people denominational missions as their chief objective is essential. However much other ideals and activities may claim their time and affections, and much is gained for them particularly in interdenominational fellowship, the work of the church is being done now, and will be done for many years, through denominational agencies primarily. Union of denominations, so much to be coveted for missionary as well as other reasons, is making splendid progress. Certain forms of federated activity in missionary work are proving helpful; but until union takes place the churches, including the young people, must for the sake of economy and efficiency do their work through denominational agencies. For this reason young people should be given every opportunity to learn the history, present scope, and needs of the missionary societies which exist to make the churches effective in fulfilling their prime purpose. Of necessity, the sources of information must be denominational chiefly.

What has been said indicates certain methods by which unity of purpose and plan may be secured between the organizations of the young within the church and the older members of the church in doing missionary work. What the churches, organized into conferences and associations, may do to promote knowledge of missions among the young of the churches and unite them still more intimately with the churches in missionary objective and achievement will constitute the theme of the next article.

Letters from the Missions

Madura Mission

RAINS — NATURAL AND SPIRITUAL

Dr. J. E. Tracy writes from Periakulam, under date of August 15: —

"After a threatened failure of the early monsoon, the rains have at last come and been fairly distributed over the district; and though prices are still abnormally high, yet there is work now for all that are able to work, and hope springs perennial, like the weeds after a rainfall. There has been a good deal of real hardship; many have had to leave their homes and seek work on the estates on the hills, and many unfit for work have begged where they could and gone hungry when begging failed. The helpers have had many a sigh, and those with children to support in school have seen many a self-denial. I know one poor man — one of the faithful and true in his work, too — who told me that he had been so hard up that he recently on one of his village trips had made a pint of *cholam*, much like our broom corn at home, last for the meals of three days; and he spoke cheerfully of it, as if he were thankful he had had that. It makes me just a bit angry that it should need be so for him, or for any one engaged in mission work. He was evidently more troubled about his oldest son, who had been doing wrong, than he was about his own poverty. I fancy that a part of his own poverty found its roots in an eagerness to give of his best to his children, and perhaps to be over-indulgent, with results that sometimes follow such a course. If I had the means I would take him in hand and see that he had proper food, whether his children suffered a little hardship or not; but there's the everlasting 'if,' in the first place, and in the second place he must make the best of what is given him, just as I must, and just as everybody must, and if the path is a hard one — well, it is hard, and every path that leads to anywhere worth going to is more or less hard.

"We have been encouraged by the open confession and admission to Christian fellowship of a young man, with his family, who for years has been under Christian influence, but who has not felt that he could come into open fellowship. All his relatives are still Hindus. He has started a small school for the children in the street where he lives, and I think is sincerely earnest to do a man's work for his Master. We hope that others will, in the course of time, dare to follow with him, and stand together as a Christian community.

"The people of one of the villages where there has been a congregation for many years have, under the leadership of one of their number, shown a new spirit of consecration, and are arousing themselves to do for themselves out of real poverty what they have before thought they were unable to do, and are building their own church. The pastor who visits them is greatly encouraged by the new evidences of life among them. If I were able to help them just now, in a limited way, I should feel it was wise to do so; but I am not, and probably it is wise not to help them. I sometimes think this long strain of poverty of means for work is making me hard and less sympathetic; but it certainly is making them carry some burdens that to my thinking I would so gladly help them to carry if I could. I never was disposed to help anybody here that would not help himself; but I am a great believer, when I am able to live up to my belief, in the stimulating effect of helping anybody who is willing to help himself, and it's just there the shoe pinches till it hurts.

"The whole station has been gone over by itinerating bands since the opening of the year, each pastor in turn leading a band in some other pastor's field than his own. Many incidents of interest shown were reported at the recent Helpers' Conference, and each pastor is awake to following up such opportunities as may arise for deepening impressions and reaching definite results."

Foochow Mission

ANOTHER PASTOR'S PLEA

In our last issue a plea of Pastor Chang addressed to the Prudential Committee was printed, calling for reënforcements for the Shao-wu field. Miss Josephine Walker forwards a plea from another pastor in that city, Iao Er-len, which is brief and stirring. It is addressed, as was the other, to the Prudential Committee:—

"Dear Sirs: Under the guiding hand of Providence it is now over thirty years since the Christian truth was preached here. At first the seed cast upon the ground seemed as nothing; but now it is sprouting rapidly, and growing into the tender grain and the full ear. As our Lord has said, the harvest now is plentiful, but the laborers few. Pray ye, therefore, the Lord of the harvest to send forth laborers into his field.

"As to the work in our Shao-wu field, it is situated in the upper counties of the Fukien province. On the northwest we join the province of Kiang-Si; on our south and east we extend to the counties of Yenping and Kien-ning. The distance from north to south and east to west is several hundred li, with a population of hundreds of thousands. Although there are over thirty churches studding the field, still they are not like the stars in heaven, some placed in every part, or like chessmen on the board, for there are hundreds of towns with no church.

"For this field we have only two clerical missionaries, and 'the length of the lash is not equal to the need.' Moreover the aged missionary, Mr. Walker, in his many years' stay has for the truth endured hardships to the full. He has loved all men, and instructed each according to his needs. Modest and illustrious without comparison, we fear he will wear himself out. This your servants cannot endure. Therefore we entreat the Prudential Committee to send two or three more missionaries to Shao-wu to uphold the truth and to bring many into the straight road.

"Another request is that, having heard that there is to be a deputation to China, we pray that these your messengers may come to us here in Shao-wu, that we, seeing and hearing them face to face, may get great gain. We would wish you not to cast us aside, but bring us a glad message. This is the earnest wish of our days and nights.

"The respectful writers of this letter invite peace upon you.

"Per your fellow-laborer and servant,

Iao Er-len,

Pastor of the Shao-wu Church."

Ping-wu year, 7th moon, 9th day.

South China Mission

THE TERRIBLE TYPHOON

Dr. Hager writes from Hong Kong, September 22:—

"Never have I seen so much destruction of property, and never before have so many lives been lost as during this typhoon. It was Tuesday morning at three o'clock, September 18, when I returned to Hong Kong from the country on one of the West River boats. There was no

apparent sign of a typhoon. All seemed calm; the sea the whole night long was unusually quiet, and when we landed in Hong Kong everything was peaceful; but how different was the scene six or eight hours afterwards, when one of those awful cyclones on the sea burst upon Hong Kong in all its fury and sent to the bottom of the sea the very boats on which I had come from the country! No one seemed to be ready for a typhoon, and no one believed that we should have one; but when the wind began to whistle in its own peculiar typhoon way, I knew that we were to have a big storm.

"For two or three hours we did nothing else except bar windows, and occasionally it took two men to hold one window after the shutters were shut. The rain seemed to be swept through the glass windows and the crevices, and some of our rooms and walls were drenched; still we never lost control of the situation. Occasionally you could feel the house quiver. Rumbling sounds were heard on the outside like that of thunder, and we knew that it fared badly with the shipping in the harbor. Oh, how terrible were those two or three hours of the onslaught of the typhoon, when nearly ten thousand lives were lost and probably more than two thousand Chinese junks and boats were sunk, besides sinking or damaging very severely some forty foreign-built steamers! Houses were blown down and trees uprooted. Persons riding along in their sedan chairs were hurled from them.

"The regular steamer coming from Macao on the morning of the 18th, on the sea that I have so often traveled by Chinese junk, was swept upon a huge rock, where two missionaries from Illinois and Indiana spent the night, expecting to be lost. When one of the owners of a large vessel saw his boat go down into the sea at the side of the wharf he was heard to say, 'There go $50,000,' and then fainted away. The hundreds of *sampan* people were literally buried in the sea with their small crafts. An old woman went to buy some food for her boat relatives that had two boats, and when she came back all of her near and dear ones to the number of thirty persons had perished in the sea. One Chinese came to an editor of the paper and asked whether this calamity had befallen them because they had been remiss in worshiping the idols. Two girls from the Foundling Home in Hong Kong were going to Pakhoi, and just before the ship sunk they put on life belts and thus saved themselves. When asked how it was, they replied that they 'prayed mightily,' and by some miraculous providence they were washed ashore. But the storm had less respect for their old Foundling Home, and tore off the roof with great violence. No vessel caught in the path of the typhoon seems to have escaped, and the six hundred fishing junks of Hong Kong now lie on the bottom of the sea. In the midst of this great calamity we stand in awe, and wonder what lesson God would teach us. More than twenty Europeans lost their lives, while the list of the Chinese lost is among the thousands.

"The Bishop of Victoria, the Rev. Dr. Hoare, was a missionary since the year 1878, and when the call came to come up higher and his body found a watery grave he was on an evangelistic tour with four of his students, whom he was inducting into the work of the ministry by going with them to the neighboring stations on the mainland and teaching them to put in practice what they had learned. On the very morning of the typhoon he decided to return to Hong Kong, but he had not gone far before the waves overwhelmed the boat, and only one or two survived to tell the story.

"The people are making strenuous efforts to meet the losses of the poor Chinese, and a relief fund has been started which will probably reach $50,000, while

the whole damage caused is more than $10,000,000. It is with thankful hearts that we can report our mission house safe and that the angel of His presence has been over us; but we never care to see another typhoon."

Japan Mission

FROM TOTTORI

LAST year the Tottori station was without any resident American missionary, but Mr. and Mrs. Bennett were assigned to that station and reached there the middle of September. Mrs. Walker and Miss DeForest will also spend this winter at Tottori, while engaged upon the study of the language. Under date of September 25, Mr. Bennett writes: —

"The most discouraging feature of the situation here is that the church is without a pastor and has been without one for over a year. I am going to the Bukwai meeting in Kobe next month with Mr. Katagiri, one of the deacons of the Tottori church, and we hope that while we are there we may be able to get track of a man who will come to Tottori and act as pastor. There are other minor things which are not as they should be, but in the main everything else is encouraging. In the first place, I have got hold of a man, who is acting as my teacher and as an evangelist, who I think will be valuable. He seems to be very spiritual and earnest, and he has a sweet expression on his face. He also seems to be much in earnest about the work, and although I have so far done almost nothing to set him at this work he goes out in the evening and does street preaching, and is also going to do some Bible reading with the people here.

"In Okayama they have found the reading of the Bible with individuals a very satisfactory way of working, and I shall try to get some such work as that going here in Tottori. Unless I am mistaken in my judgment, Mr. Edamoto will be a great help in the work here. The preaching place in Yumura, to the east of Tottori, is still without an evangelist, and I am not sure that I have quite enough money to keep one there even if we had one. In fact, I know I have not, but we need a man there; and if I can get hold of the right person I think I will put him in and pay the bills myself.

"The Japanese Christians have started an orphanage here, and now there are twenty children in it. They have gone around the city and have got people to promise to contribute a certain amount of money each month, and have about thirty dollars a month pledged. They need a little more than this for the running expenses, and they need a larger building if the orphanage is to grow any. I think this orphanage is a fine thing for the Christians here, and I am very glad they are so interested in it."

STATIONS REVISITED

MISS JULIA GULICK, who is now on her thirty-third year of service in Japan, writes from Miyazaki, September 27, of her visit at some of the stations with which she formerly worked: —

"After attending mission meeting I took a little time to myself and visited my former fields of labor, Okayama, Fukuoka, and Kumamoto, stopping at a number of other places *en route*. In almost every place I found Japanese as well as foreign friends, some of whom I had not met for many years, notably one evangelist whom I used to know in Sanda, when I lived in Kobe, but had not seen for twelve or thirteen years. I called on as many of my Japanese acquaintances as I could in each place,

and in several places was asked to address some meeting, though my tour was entirely unofficial and at my own expense until I struck the western end of our field at Minamata. From there on, for ten days, it was purely evangelistic. This was my first visit to Kumamoto since we moved from there nine years ago.

"There was only one person at the church service on Sunday whom I used to meet there, though some of the old people are still in town. Two of the women connected with the Girls' School I used to know in the outstations. There were less than thirty at the service, about half of whom were pupils of the Girls' School, which is prosperous, but carefully non-religious, though the director is an earnest Christian man and most, if not all, of the teachers are Christians. The monthly women's meeting occurred in the afternoon, and was attended by about fifteen women and girls. Their subject, announced in advance, was, 'How Much Time Should Women with Families Give to Outside Work, Religious or Philanthropic?' and it elicited quite a variety of views and experiences from the women."

Mexican Mission

AN INDIAN CONVERT

MR. HAHN, of El Fuerte, writing September 27, sends a photograph of the first Indian convert belonging to the Mayo tribe. Mr. Hahn says:—

"The man first came to me with long, straight hair, which he has now discarded, asking me to bless for him a pair of steel rods bifurcated at either end, with which charm he hoped to find gold ore in places where it was hidden. He had been to the Roman Catholic priest already, but as that man wanted to charge him beyond his means he came to me, hoping to get it done cheaper.

"By the way, I have been asked by a number of Indian parents to baptize their children, and by couples to marry them, as they cannot afford to have the two rites performed by the priest and as they are taught by the priest that the civil marriage is invalid before God, the latter, however, being the only one recognized by the law. Of course, I cannot comply with their request as they desire it, since their idea of baptism is that it is done to man only to differentiate him from an animal and that otherwise the child remains a sort of incomplete human being, and I cannot satisfy their want nor my conscience in marrying them because that act would not be recognized as legal by the laws of the country. Thus without further instruction, or at least without a true understanding on their part as to what baptism is, that is to say, without faith in Jesus Christ, their children have to remain *herejes* and their couples live together unmarried. They are generally, however, faithful to each other.

"The fact that the Roman Church is opposed to the laws of the government is shown by the following incident, which presented no small difficulty to me. A man recently moved here who has attended evangelical services in other places for the last twelve years. To all appearances he is a thoroughly converted man, living by faith in Jesus Christ; he was married by the Roman Church, but not by civil law, which according to the laws of the country renders his marriage illegal. He wanted to be received as a member; but though he is a thorough believer and has not lived with his family for the last twelve years, we of course cannot receive him into our fellowship under the present circumstances. 'Why don't you get married by the civil law?' I asked him. 'I have been wanting to for the last twelve years. But the woman! She insists that she will not get married that way because the priests de-

clare civil marriage invalid!' We could receive him only on his Christian confession and promise to separate himself entirely from his family. But he is the father of his children all the same, and therefore we are bound to destroy his family relations if he wants to associate himself with us, simply because his wife by the instruction of her spiritual teachers is too hard-headed to conform to the laws of the country. He has now gone to formally say good-by to his family. He assures me that his wife will put no obstacles in his way.

"But to return to our Indian. He was of course shown that his confidence in the charm was a senseless and useless superstition and abominable in the eyes of God; that God was our Father, whom we could ask for his blessing in our temporal as well as our spiritual affairs without the mediation of mercenary priests, who only extracted the money from their followers by such senseless superstitious practices; that God did not want us to put our confidence in such charms, but in him personally, and that he was glad to hear us and help us, if we asked him as children ask their earthly parents. That was something altogether new to him, and he confided to me that he had always in his heart doubted the sincerity of the priests and felt that he did not need their intercession, but that he had always liked to go into the church to pray silently. Then I read to him — as he could not read — the fourth chapter of John, and said to him: 'Go to the church by all means, if you like, but remember that God liveth not in temples made with man's hands; that He is a spirit, and they that worship him must worship him in spirit and in truth.' Thus the light began to dawn upon him. Night after night he came to me asking that I might read to him and explain to him the 'wonderful Word of life.' And when he even brought his steel rods to me, saying that he could neither keep them, nor sell them, nor give them away, because then he might be misleading others, I knew that the Spirit of God had really entered his soul and had made him a new man. I offered to buy them from him, since it was a dead loss to him not to hunt for gold, and it seemed that they had proven to him the means of finding what was better than silver and gold, a trophy of another victory of our exalted Saviour, Jesus Christ.

"Would God that all were thus groping for the light. What joy it would be to lead them to the light!"

Micronesian Mission

PONAPE

Mr. Gray reports that matters are moving on well within the group and that his relations with the people are friendly. Henry Nanepei, who has been absent from Ponape for a long period and was not in cordial relations with the mission for a time, has returned, and much better relations now exist. Mr. Gray writes:—

"Mr. Hugenschmidt and I took a trip lately in a canoe all about the island. We met with a most hearty welcome everywhere. I shall not write of that trip now, only to say that I called on Henry Nanepei at his home and was invited to dinner, and preached on Sunday morning in the Ronkiti church. The Catholics are watching us very closely, and if they cannot make headway they try to prevent us from doing so. We have been getting along very well. My work at the colony is very important. I have been coming from Oua to the colony to preach on Sunday mornings since moving back to the mission. We have from 100 to 130 at our services. The house is generally too small to hold them."

Central Turkey Mission

THE MARASH THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY

Dr. Lee, of Marash, under date of September 27, reports that on that day the term of their seminary opened and the students had returned from their summer work in various fields. The academy had also recently opened its term, with the usual attendance of about 124 boys. Dr. and Mrs. Lee had recently made a tour in the northern mountains, including Hadjin, where they found the missionary force weakened by the illness of Miss Billings. Of the seminary Dr. Lee writes: —

"We are interested that a Gregorian student will join the class this year; and while we do not allow Protestant students thus to join after we have been a year under way, we thought it best to strain a point in order to resume the training of this class of men. In former years we graduated six men of this kind, after which there was some change of sentiment among a part of the missionaries and natives which was adverse to receiving further Gregorian students. The whole matter really arose out of some friction between Protestants and the Gregorian body in Aintab. I thereupon addressed an ample cyclostyled letter to each of the stations of the eastern and western missions, reporting in full what had been our experience thus far with Gregorian students and their work, and asked the opinion of all as to the future. I received answers from all the stations except two, and the general testimony was overwhelmingly in favor of the previous policy, although in varying degrees. I embodied the substance of these answers in the annual report of the seminary for that year, which, as usual, was read before a mixed conference. The tide began to turn in favor of educating worthy Gregorian students who should return to work in the old church, and now, after an interregnum of four or five years, sentiment is favorable, much to our satisfaction. We have never doubted for a moment the expediency of this plan. These men certainly carry back into the old church new views which cannot fail to work for progress and enlightenment. All of these graduates have more or less continuously preached in the Gregorian church, and have endured more or less persecution and been under suspicion as tainted with Protestantism. One of them was lately made a priest in Marash, notwithstanding, and another formerly in Aintab. I should have said that all of these students have been aided only with funds from outside of the Board's appropriations, while the present man comes upon his own support."

COLLEGE AT AINTAB

President Merrill, of Central Turkey College, sends the following items from Aintab: —

"Work on the new seminary is progressing. Tiling for the roof has been delayed, but work on the interior is going on. We hope that enough will be finished by the middle of October so that the ladies can begin to prepare the building for occupation, and that school work can begin about the first of November.

"In digging for foundations for the porch of the new seminary building a pot containing silver coins was discovered. They are of the Knights of St. John. The weight is about sixty pounds, and the value of the silver perhaps about 125 Turkish liras ($550). The law requires that half the amount should go to the government, and that half in value (or kind, in case the find is not thought worthy a place in the imperial museum) falls to the finders, if suitable notice of the find was duly given to the government, as was done in this case. The site of the seminary was once the site of the government buildings

here, and baths and caves have been found in making the excavations which were necessary.

"Somewhat contrary to my first expectations, college has opened with a larger attendance than that of last year, and the boarding department has about as many students as last year, although one lira has been added to the price of board. We have had great difficulty in securing teachers to take the place of those who are leaving us. The two who are going to Beirut for study have been very ready to give assistance in the opening of work. We expect now that Mr. Ashjian, who has resigned from the First Church here, will come to be superintendent of the boarding department and to teach. Mr. Andrus has written of one of their teachers at Mardin whom they would like to send here for further study, and who may give some assistance in teaching and in oversight of the schoolroom. A young man from Switzerland has expressed his willingness to come to us as teacher of French."

Marathi Mission

GOOD RAINS — AN ABLE PASTOR

MRS. GATES, writing from Sholapur, September 10, says: —

"Notwithstanding very serious prophecies from government authorities, our rains have not been a failure in any sense. We have not had the heavy rains in this district which are necessary for the filling of the tanks and wells, yet the rain we have had has come most opportunely for sowing, and also for keeping crops growing which had been sown. We are likely to have a more than average crop, we hope, unless the locusts appear. However, in this district the later crop is the one the people depend upon, so that the time from now on will be the deciding time. The early crop is almost insured, we might say; only in this country, what with rats, locusts, and other trials, we never feel it quite safe to predict about crops till they are actually harvested. It is many years since we have seen Sholapur looking so fresh and green and the trees so luxuriantly covered. The locusts of two years ago wrought havoc with all trees, and they are just beginning to recover the damages made at that time.

"You will be sorry, I am sure, to hear that Dr. Keskar is not keeping up his strength, and he finds his labors very trying. He misses very much his faithful wife, and the burden falls very heavily upon his shoulders without her ever ready counsel and help. We still feel great satisfaction in the work he so bravely carries on, and feel grateful that we have such an efficient native brother here.

"I wish I might introduce you to our pastor. He is a wonderful man, and we are so thankful to have such a strong personality to lead our people. It has been remarked that he looks like our own revered President Roosevelt, only somewhat darkened. When he talks the resemblance is more striking; even the genial smile, the showing of teeth, and the strenuous way in which he delivers his message make one think of what we read of President Roosevelt. He gives us most practical heart to heart talks, and keeps the attention of the whole audience. It is not the least part of a very interesting service on Sunday to see over two hundred boys and girls seated on the floor with upturned gaze, listening for every word, and more often than not with mouth open, as though to take in more readily the words. Yesterday he took as his text, 'And the people stood beholding'; and for his theme, 'The Crucifixion.' With a Sabbath school roll picture of the crucifixion he pointed out the different characters who

'stood beholding,' and speaking of their reason for being there the questions would come: Are there Marys here today? Are there Simons here today? Are there those who have felt the healing touch of the Saviour? It is seldom, especially in this country and from this country people, we get such excellent sermons, and I only wish there were many, many more like our good Pastor Tatyaba. He is a strenuous man, and very much in earnest about everything. He is not afraid to denounce the wrong, and if there has been any scandal or unpleasantness we are sure to have a telling talk which will bring home the truth to every one. Once, after some sorrow, he spoke most eloquently upon the necessity of trials. Showing various objects (piece of wood, a stone, and then some finished products of the two), he drew out the fact that it is only hammering, fashioning, beating, and polishing that make these common things articles of value, and of great value according to the amount of preparation. I find him an excellent coadjutor, and when I feel a certain subject necessary to be handled I can talk with him about it, and the next Sunday he furnishes a finished, polished sermon on the topic. I enjoy working with one who so readily grasps things, and who is ready to act at once.

"We are comfortably settled in our new home, which we call 'Winona.' It is quite a cottage, but large enough for us two, and always large enough to stretch for friends. It has always been a great delight to us in our large house to welcome friends and strangers, who went away friends, but I hope we can prove that this place is elastic enough to suit all exigencies. Come to see us and try it."

Notes from the Wide Field

JAPAN

A Novel Objection to Christianity. — A correspondent of *The Japan Evangelist*, writing of successful work among students, calls attention to a strange notion that has to be met, namely, that Christians crucify their dead. He says: —

"I had thought that this absurd and superstitious libel was gradually disappearing, even in the country districts; but three or four times lately I have found to my surprise that it is almost, if not quite, as flourishing as ever. About three months ago a Christian Normal School student brought a schoolfellow to see me, and I had a long talk with him. After he had left me, he was reported to have said, 'Well, Christianity seems to be a very good thing, but I don't at all like that custom they have of crucifying their dead.' And only yesterday, while I was talking to another inquirer at the same school, I learned that this superstition is still one of the chief hindrances which prevents people from becoming Christians. If students of secondary schools, who have been brought into contact with foreigners and have more or less acquaintance with Western literature and customs, have a *bona fide* faith in the existence of such a practice, no wonder the old country people firmly believe it. It seems not unlikely, however, that the very course we have taken to dissipate this misconception has been the means of still further disseminating it. It has been our habit to leave open the top part of the coffin till the very end of the funeral service, so that any who liked might look in before it was sealed down, and see for themselves that no such thing as crucifixion piercing the hands and feet with nails had taken place. But I have thought since that it was perhaps the sound of

this final hammering down of the lid after the inspection that caused the circulation of the very suspicion we were trying to allay. It is not very comforting to one's self-esteem to know that there are such misconceptions about one. A Japanese comes into your room; he sees many signs of culture and education; here is, indeed, perhaps the only representation of Western civilization in the town; there is nothing to offend either his sense of decency or his morals. Yet all the while he believes you to be not only capable of, but actually the ringleader in, the perpetration of a horrible and revolting act. What is the precise psychological process which enables him to harmonize these two apparent inconsistencies?"

CHINA

The Imperial Edict against Opium. — *The North China Herald* for October 5 contains a letter giving a concise translation of the imperial edict which had been issued in response to a memorial presented to the throne by His Excellency, Chou Fu. Here is the translation: —

"Since the imperial prohibition of opium almost the whole of China has been flooded with the poison. Smokers of opium have wasted their time, neglected their employment, spoiled their constitutions, and ruined their households; and thus, for some decades, China has presented a picture of ever increasing poverty and weakness. It rouses our deep indignation even to speak of the matter. The court is now ardently *determined to make China powerful*, and it is incumbent upon us to urge the people on to reformation in this respect, that they may realize the evil, pluck out this deep-seated cancer, and follow the ways of health and harmony.

"We therefore decree that, within the limit of ten years, this harmful 'foreign muck' be fully and entirely cleansed away. And we further command the Council of State Affairs to consider means for the strict prohibition both of opium smoking and of poppy growing (in China itself), and report their deliberations to us for approval."

A Story of Progress in Manchuria. — The missions of the Scotch and Irish Presbyterian Boards in Manchuria have held recently a conference at Newchwang, the first since 1903. The details of growth, as given in the *Record* of the United Free Church of Scotland, are most remarkable. The steadfastness on the part of the native Christians could hardly have been expected in the disturbed condition of the province during the Russo-Japanese War. At Liaoyang, in spite of the danger, the mission work went on through the war. In Mukden some of the missionaries were on the ground through the entire conflict. In other districts north of Mukden and in the Sungari region the native church maintained its spiritual life in a most remarkable way, though they were deprived of their foreign missionaries. At a meeting of the presbytery in which these reports were made it was announced that in 1905 there had been 1,327 people baptized, and at the beginning of the year there were 3,551 candidates for baptism on the list. It was also stated that within the two provinces of Manchuria there were no fewer than 270 places where prayer is wont to be made, including churches, chapels, and special prayer meeting rooms. The crowning day of the conference was when seventeen men who had been trained in the theological course were ordained to the work of the ministry. Many of these had been trained, not merely in the schools, but had had a wonderful amount of experience in connection with the scenes of war and bloodshed they had been called to witness. The presbytery, at the conclusion of this service, resolved itself into a missionary society, and two

of the ablest of these men who had been thus ordained voluntarily offered themselves as the first missionaries of the Manchuria church. Truly this is a remarkable record. Some statistics are given which show that in this united mission there are forty-three European missionaries, twenty-eight of them men. The total membership in the churches is 11,584.

China's Daughters. — The United States consul at Nanking sends the following item: "The Viceroy of the Liang-Kiang province, Choufu, one of the most progressive of the higher Chinese officials, has recently founded a school for girls in Nanking. At the opening, which was largely attended, the Viceroy delivered an address which impressed the people that this girls' school was no ordinary institution. It is supported by subscriptions from a number of the leading *taotais* of Nanking, who have raised $4,296, and the Viceroy has subscribed $1,432 annually. The school is located in a quiet place, with spacious buildings. Six lady teachers have been engaged, three to teach English and three Chinese. The opening of this school is an important event in Nanking, as it is really the birth of female education in that ancient city. The interest taken in this school by the leading officials of Nanking indicates the dawning of freedom for China's women and girls. For the last few years the missionary girls' schools have been doing good work, but this is the first school established under the patronage of the Viceroy. China is awakening to realize that a nation's strength and prosperity lie in the education of her daughters."

AFRICA

Great News from Barotseland. — M. Coillard died without the accomplishment of one great object for which he gave his life, but he has not been in his grave a twelvemonth before that object has been achieved. When he and his associates arrived in Barotseland in 1884 domestic slavery in a very sad form existed throughout the whole region. Children were sold in the markets and domestic ties ceased to exist. When a sacrifice was needed in their heathen rites, and the question was asked whether it should be an ox or a man, the man was taken because he was cheaper. King Lewanika recognized the evil, but he was unwilling to take the steps necessary for the overthrowing of the system. Slave raiding on the neighboring tribes was common years ago. The last raid was organized in 1897, and was all ready to start on a Monday when M. Jalla preached on Sunday with such force that the assembled warriors quietly went home. Since then there has been no more raiding, but domestic slavery still remains. But the British commissioner joined with the missionaries in continuous efforts to lead to its abolition, and on the 16th of July last Lewanika called a great assembly, inviting to it people from all quarters and the missionaries, twenty-two in number. The assembly was conducted with as much display as possible. The open space in front of the native council house was filled with people, and the long line of chairs in front of the king's house had for its center King Lewanika's gilded chair. At the appointed time the king appeared in gorgeous attire, which he himself had selected when in England at the coronation of King Edward VII. It was a combination of all the brilliant uniforms he saw on that occasion, and was loaded with gilt lace. He wore a gilt sword and a large pair of gilt box spurs. When the king appeared and the drums had sounded Rev. Adolphe Jalla, the leading missionary and successor of M. Coillard, read the following proclamation: "I, Lewanika, paramount chief of the Barotse nation and subject tribes, do, with and by the advice

and consent of my council, hereby proclaim and make known that we, of our own free will, in the cause of justice and progress, set free all slaves held by us, our indunas, and head men."

Then followed addresses from a number of people, including Lewanika himself and the premier, who is a Christian man who has long been laboring for the success of this movement. It was a great day for the Barotse people, and the transaction affects not merely the people of that country, but of the surrounding tribes. It is a long step toward the redemption of Africa.

Miscellany

Bibliographical

Christian Endeavor in All Lands. By Rev. Francis E. Clark, D.D., LL.D. The John C. Winston Co., Chicago, Philadelphia, Toronto. Sold by subscription.

There was but one man to write the history of Christian Endeavor's first quarter century, and he the man who has been, in every sense, its presiding genius from the beginning. In this volume, by racy narrative, apt illustration, and occasional argument and plea for that which is being described, Dr. Clark has written the record of twenty-five years of marvelous progress in the work to which he has given his life. Here is a story to appeal to all who remember the early days and had part in their undertaking, and to stir the hearts of Endeavorers today with the panorama of present activity. We are especially interested in the treatment of the Christian Endeavor movement in mission lands. Too much space has not been given to this field of triumph, for however large a place Christian Endeavor has among Christian forces in our own land, it is of many fold more importance on mission ground. So happily does it fit both the taste and the need of the converts there that it has become an indispensable arm of missionary service. This volume, with its wealth of information set forth in attractive style, clear type, and abundant illustration, deserves wide reading.

The Autobiography of the Rev. Lewis Grout. Published by Clapp & Jones, Brattleboro, Vt. 1906.

The life of Mr. Grout is sketched in "A Brief Outline," covering sixty-three pages of the autobiography. An introduction, a preface, a supplement, and two appendixes fittingly complete this neat volume of 157 pages.

From the time that Mr. Grout became a missionary to the Zulus in South Africa, in 1846, throughout his subsequent sixty years of life, he steadily counted himself as being "under bonds to God for Africa."

His tastes were eminently scholarly. He had a broad, strong, investigating mind. It took a wide and varied view of things, and he advocated in vigorous, clear language the conclusions that he reached. His championship of the aborigines of Natal before a government commission; his sturdy rebuttal of Bishop Colenso's views on polygamy; his production of a scholarly Zulu grammar from his own original analysis of the language; his leadership in the effort to introduce and establish a standard alphabet for cognate African languages — all of these undertakings appear in the "Outline," and also much more. It shows that, always and everywhere, even after his return to America in 1862, the interests and development of the African race dominated his heart and mind.

His distinguished gifts were recognized in high circles in both Natal and America, and he was looked up to as an authority on African philology, ethnology, and history. Mr. Grout's vigorous mental qualities left room for a gentle tenderness of heart, as the introduction intimates and as his personal friends know.

This brief life record is a valuable contribution to missionary biography; and the fine cuts of the family and the homestead, as well as the excellent printing and binding, invite, by themselves, perusal of the book. C. W. K.

The Mohammedan World of Today. Papers read at the first Missionary Conference on behalf of the Mohammedan world, held at Cairo April 4–9, 1906. Edited by S. M. Zwemer, D.D., F.R.G.S., E. M. Wherry, D.D., and James L. Barton, D.D. Published by Revell Co., maps, charts, and illustrations. Price, $1.50 net.

Promoters of Christian civilization, and especially those who attended the memorable meeting on Mohammedanism at the Haystack Centennial, will take up the book with keen interest and reasonable expectancy. Nor will they be disappointed. They will find that the nineteen contributors are as just and generous as they are bold and outspoken, and will doubtless be impressed, not only with the strength of Islam and the greatness of the missionary task, but with the progress already made and with the hopefulness of the outlook. The book stimulates to further study and lays a good foundation for such study; but it also makes an appeal to the conscience of the church. After reading the introductory paper, by Dr. Jessup, of Syria, upon "The Spiritual Needs of Islam, the Challenge of Open Doors, and the Neglect of the Church"; after reading the fifteen papers following, upon the conditions and promise in Egypt, Turkey, Persia, India, China, and other countries; and after having grasped the significance of the statistical and comparative survey of Islam in Africa and Asia, as given in the last two chapters, the reader is led to feel, with Robert E. Speer in his chapter on "Rousing the Church," that the time has come "for the church to awake to her duty toward Islam," and to do more direct work for the Mohammedan peoples — that they may come to know that the true Christian is not an enemy, but a friend; that the Christianity our missionaries represent is not a propagandism of pride and oppression, but a life of liberty and love.

Books Received

Thomas Y. Crowell & Co., New York, send us the following volumes: "The Personality of God," by Lyman Abbott. Cloth, 35 cents. "The Beauty of Kindness," by J. R. Miller. Illustrated. "The Tenting of the Tillicums," by Herbert Bashford. "Meg and the Others," by Harriet T. Comstock. "Joey at the Fair," by James Otis. The last three volumes belong to the Twentieth Century Juveniles Series. Illustrated. Price, 75 cents each. "What Is Worth While" Series, four new volumes, 30 cents net, each: "The Challenge of the Spirit," by Ellis A. Ford; "Christmas Making," by J. R. Miller; "Does God Comfort?" by one who has greatly needed to know; "The Power of Personality," by O. S. Marden. "A Heart Garden," by J. R. Miller. 65 cents net. "Daily Joy and Daily Peace," by Rose Porter. Illustrated. Cloth, 50 cents. "Stories from Scottish History," by Madalen G. Edgar. "Stories from Dickens," by J. Walker McSpadden. "Tales from Herodotus," by H. L. Havell. The last three attractive booklets are a retelling of old tales. Illustrated. 60 cents each.

From the same firm come the following: "The Open Secret of Nazareth," by Bradley Gilman. Illustrated from photographs of scenes in the Holy Land. $1.00 net. "The Hope of Immortality: Our Reasons for It," by Charles Fletcher Dole. 75 cents net. "Putting the Most into Life," by Booker T. Washington, 75 cents net. "Great Riches," by Pres.

Charles W. Eliot. With photogravure portrait. 75 cents net. "The Happy Family," by Dean George Hodges. 75 cents net. "The World's Christmas Tree," by Charles Edward Jefferson. Cloth, 75 cents net. The last five books are beautifully printed and bound. They are evidently designed for Christmas gifts, and are admirable for that purpose.

The American Tract Society, New York, sends us the following: "The Life Ecstatic," by James Mudge. Price, $1.00. "The Young Convert's Problems," by A. C. Dixon. Price, 50 cents. "White Fire," by John Oxenham. Price, $1.25. A story of the South Seas, dedicated to James Chalmers. "Two Minute Talks," by Amos R. Wells. Price, 75 cents. A characteristic book from this virile and keen writer. "Marion, a Romance of Persia," by S. G. Wilson. Price, 50 cents. The product of leisure hours of a furlough which is believed to be well calculated to interest young people in missions. "The Evolution of a Christian," by David J. Burrell, D.D. Price, $1.00.

Notes for the Month

ARRIVALS IN THIS COUNTRY

October —. At New York, Miss Grisell McLaren, of the Eastern Turkey Mission.

November 8. At Boston, Rev. and Mrs. Giles G. Brown, of the Ceylon Mission.

November 12. At Boston, Rev. and Mrs. John J. Banninga, of the Madura Mission.

DEPARTURES

October 27. From Boston, Mrs. Hattie C. Hazen, returning to the Madura Mission, and Miss Julia Green, to join the Ceylon Mission. (See page 577.)

November 2. From New York, Miss H. Juliette Gilson, returning to the East Central African Mission.

November 2. From London, Miss Isabel H. Curr, M.D., returning to the Ceylon Mission.

ARRIVALS ABROAD

September 25. At Harpoot, Rev. John K. Browne and Mr. Jesse C. French.

DEATHS

October 24. At Minneapolis, Minn., Rev. George E. Albrecht, D.D., formerly of the Japan Mission.

October 27. At Aintab, Turkey, Rev. Charles S. Sanders. (See page 573.)

Donations Received in October

NEW ENGLAND DISTRICT

Maine

Augusta, South Parish Cong. ch.	33 58
Bangor, A. Hiwale, for Haystack offering,	1 00
Bath, Miss S. F. Drummond,	20 00
Brewer, 1st Cong. ch.	10 50
Farmington, Mrs. J. P. Cushman, 2, and Mary F. Cushman, 2, for Haystack offering,	4 00
Gardiner, Cong. ch.	11 58
Kennebunk, Mrs. E. F. Dwight, for Haystack offering,	10 00
Lewiston, Pine-st. Cong. ch., Member,	2 00
North Yarmouth, Cong. ch.	7 50
Portland, Seaman's Bethel ch., Theodore Gould, for Haystack offering, 50; Jee A. Jay, 6,	56 00
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Saco, E. R. Woodbury, for Haystack offering,	2 00
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Wilton, Cong. ch.	7 50
York, 2d Cong. ch., Rev. H. H. Hamilton, for Haystack offering,	1 00—169 66

New Hampshire

Atkinson, Cong. ch., M. A. Page, 5, and S. E. Page, 1, all for Haystack	

offering; Rev. E. M. Scott, for do., 2, 8 00
Bath, Rev. W. E. Elkins, 1 00
Bennington, W. T. Bartley, for Haystack offering, 2 50
Chester, Cong. ch. 16 09
Concord, South Cong. ch., toward support Rev. Thomas Gray, 125; 1st Cong. ch., Rev. G. H. Reed, for Haystack offering, 10, 135 00
Derry, Central Cong. ch., 29.82; 1st Cong. ch., 5.03, 34 85
Dover, 1st Cong. ch. and Sab. sch., 80; G. E. Hall, for Haystack offering, 10, 90 00
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Exeter, S. H. Dana, for Haystack offering, 2 00
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Hillsboro Bridge, Cong. ch., toward support Rev. E. L. Storrs, 100 00
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New Boston, Presb. Cong. ch., Mrs. S. L. Marden, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Orford, Cong. ch. 5 00
Orfordville, Cong. ch. 3 00
Pelham, Cong. ch. 26 00
Peterboro, Union Cong. ch. 17 00
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Plymouth, Cong. ch. 15 00
Raymond, Cong. ch. 15 00
Seabrook, W. H. Woodwell, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Seabrook and Hampton Falls, Cong. ch. 4 20
Stratham, Cong. ch. 15 25
Walpole, 1st Cong. ch., Annie M. Buffum, for Haystack offering, 2; Miss H. J. Gilson, for do., 2.50, 4 50
Winchester, 1st Cong. ch., W. S. Ewell, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Wolfboro, 1st Cong. ch. 20 38——641 16

Vermont

Bellows Falls, C. W. Osgood, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Bennington, 2d Cong. ch., 69.48; do., Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Sheldon, for Haystack offering, 2; Miss A. C. Park, for do., 25, 96 48
Braintree, Cong. ch., toward support Dr. C. W. Young, 5 43
Brattleboro, Central Cong. ch., for Haystack offering, 6; Rev. H. R. Miles, for do., 5, 11 00
Burlington, College-st. ch., toward support Rev. L. H. Beals, 600; 1st Cong. ch., toward support Rev. Wm. Hazen, 50; Miss Susan E. Tyler, for Haystack offering, 1, 651 00
Castleton, Cong. ch., F. L. Garfield, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Chester, Cong. ch., 5, and Rev. L. Ballou, 5, all for Haystack offering, 10 00
Dorset, Cong. ch., for Haystack offering, 20 00
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East Dorset, W. Miner Rogers, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Jericho, Loomis Terrill, 5, Mrs. J. W. Hart, 5, all for Haystack offering, 10 00
Ludlow, Cong. ch., of which Miss C. M. Cooledge, 1, for Haystack offering, 17 92
Morgan, Union Cong. ch. 50
Newfane, Cong. ch. 6 50
Newport, D. M. Camp, for Haystack offering, 5 00
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Williamstown, Cong. ch., Rev. D. H. Strong, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Woodstock, Cong. ch., of which 47.69 toward support Dr. H. N. Kinnear, 79.41; Frederick Billings, 50, 129 41—1,050 78

Massachusetts

Adams, Cong. ch., W. B. Plunkett, 100, and E. A. Farnsworth, 1, all for Haystack offering, 101 00
Amherst, 2d Cong. ch., 5; 1st Cong. ch., Miss E. W. Beaman, for Haystack offering, 5; College ch., C. K. Blanchard, for Haystack offering, 2; G. D. Olds, for do., 5; Mrs. L. A. Ward, for do., 5; G. C. Hood, for do., 2; E. Hobart, for do., 1, 25 00
Andover, Rev. C. C. Carpenter, thank-offering, 10; W. E. Rubel, for Haystack offering, 2, 12 00
Arlington, Park-av. Cong. ch., Margarett L. Taylor, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Auburndale, Cong. ch., 328.59; Alice C. Kendall, for Haystack offering, 10; Miss Helen E. Chandler, for do., 5, 343 59
Belchertown, A. L. Kendall, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Beverly, Dane-st. Cong. ch., Miss S. W. Clark, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Boston, 2d Cong. ch. (Dorchester), 142.76; Central ch., Friend, for Haystack offering, 100; Allston Cong. ch., Miss C. C. Cameron, for Haystack offering, 5; Mt. Vernon ch., Friend, for do., 5; Union Cong. ch., 3.02; Walnut-av. Cong. ch. (Roxbury), .60; Mrs. M. J. Weston, 100; J. J. Arakelyan, for Haystack offering, 50; Ezra Gifford, for native workers, 25, and other work in India, 22.34; Rev. J. L. Barton, for Haystack offering, 10; Mrs. M. L. Houston, 10; Henry H. Proctor, for Haystack offering, 10; Rev. F. B. Bridgman, for do., 5; Miss Helen B. Calder, for do., 5; Mary E. Kinney, for do., 5; Friend, 5, 503 72
Braintree, 1st Cong. ch. 17 51
Brockton, Porter Cong. ch., Rev. A. M. Hyde, 15, and T. A. Bond, .50; 1st Cong. ch., 7; Rev. A. W. Archibald, for Haystack offering, 10, 32 50
Brookline, Harvard Cong. ch., 730.97; Lucy W. Davis, for Haystack offering, 5; Harriet M. Smith, for do., 1, 736 97
Cambridge, Pilgrim Cong. ch., 15.61; 1st Cong. ch., H. T. Burrage, 5; do., A. B. Mackintire, for Haystack offering, 1; C. H. Shute, for do., 10; Rev. J. A. Lansing, for do., 10; Amelia Snow, for do., 5; W. A. Haggerty, for do., 1; ———, for do., 2, 49 61
Centerville, Philo, 10 00
Chicopee, 1st Cong. ch. 3 00
Chicopee Falls, 2d Cong. ch. 34 87
Concord, Trin. Cong. ch. 44 14
Conway, Cong. ch., Mary A. Billings, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Dalton, Ellen G. Crane, for Haystack offering, 100 00
Dedham, M. C. Burgess, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Douglas, J. H. Dudley, 1 00
East Charlemont, Cong. ch., Miss A. M. Ballard, 5, and C. H. Ballard, 2, all for Haystack offering, 7 00
East Douglas, Cong. ch., A. C. Cornell, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Essex, Cong. ch. 17 00

Fitchburg, Rollstone Cong. ch., 14.70; W. W. Dole, 75, 89 70
Florence, Cong. ch. 65 00
Foxboro, Friend, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Georgetown, 1st Cong. ch. 2 00
Globe Village, Cong. ch. 16 00
Great Barrington, Abby J. Russell, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Greenfield, Mrs. L. C. Titus, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Groveland, Friend, 12 00
Hadley, Friend, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Hatfield, Cong. ch. 54 49
Haverhill, Central Cong. ch., Mrs. M. M. Tibbetts, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Hingham, Cong. ch., Rev. E. A. Robinson, for Haystack offering, 15; Miss M. T. Caldwell, for do., 1; Miss E. C. Pratt, for do., 1, 17 00
Holbrook, Winthrop Cong. ch., E. N. Thayer, for Haystack offering, 5; do., Rev. J. O. Paisley, for do., 1, 6 00
Holyoke, J. J. R. 25 00
Hopkinton, Cong. ch., Miss M. E. Putnam, 10, and Mrs. E. F. Pierce, 5, all for Haystack offering, 15 00
Housatonic, Mrs. M. S. Ramsdell, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Lakeville, Precinct Cong. ch. 20 00
Lawrence, Lawrence-st. Cong. ch., Rev. W. E. Wolcott, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Lee, Cong. ch., Carl Wurtzbach, 5; do., Miss Julia May, 2.50; do., Mrs. Wm. May, 2.50; Mrs. T. D. Murphy, 1, all for Haystack offering, 11 00
Leicester, In memory of Rev. John Nelson, D.D., for Haystack offering, 25 00
Lenox, Cong. ch., Mrs. M. A. Brown, for Haystack offering, .50; do., Mrs. I. J. Newton, for do., .50, 1 00
Leominster, Cong. ch., 65; Francis A. Whitney, 15, 80 00
Littleton, Cong. ch., W. E. Conant, for Haystack offering, 10 00
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Mansfield, Cong. ch., W. M. Macnair, 2, and Mrs. Wm. White, 1, all for Haystack offering, 3 00
Marlboro, Union Cong. ch. 36 76
Melrose, Cong. ch. 75 00
Middleboro, North Cong. ch. 33 81
Millers Falls, Cong. ch., 4; do., Rev. Chas. Clark, for Haystack offering, 1, 5 00
Mittineague, Cong. ch. 14 00
Monterey, Cong. ch. 10 00
New Braintree, Geo. K. Tufts, 10 00
Newbury, Cong. ch., Rev. C. S. Holton, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Newburyport, North Cong. ch., E. H. Newcomb, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Newton, Henry E. Cobb, for Haystack offering, 250; Mrs. Mary Galway, 2; Mrs. Orlando Monroe, for Haystack offering, 2, 254 00
Newton Center, Miss H. S. Cousens, 50, and Esther F. Wilder, 50, both for Haystack offering, 100 00
Newtonville, Central Cong. ch., Mrs. J. D. Davis, for Haystack offering, 5; Friend, 25, 30 00
Norfolk, Union Cong. ch. 11 05
North Abington, through Rev. Geo. Benedict, 10 00
North Adams, Cong. ch., Mrs. L. A. Black, for Haystack offering, 1; do., H. L. Bradford, for do., 1, 2 00
Northampton, Edwards ch., Ellen P. Cook, for Haystack offering, 10; Helen Dupuy, for do., 2, 12 00
Northboro, Cong. ch. 48 20
North Wilbraham, Grace Union Cong. ch., to const. REV. VERNON H. DEMING, H. M. 50 00
Norwood, Harriet W. Lane, 25 00
Orange, Central Cong. ch. 26 50
Oxford, 1st Cong. ch., J. E. Kimball, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Palmer, Francis B. Barton, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Petersham, Cong. ch., Elizabeth B. Dawes, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Pittsfield, 1st ch. of Christ, toward support Rev. J. H. Pettee, 313.14; do., F. T. West, for Haystack offering, 10; do., Friend, for publication work, Turkey, 5; South Cong. ch., 50; Mrs. J. H. Hinsdale, for Haystack offering, 10; S. P. Cook, for do., 5; F. Isabel Dunham, for do., 5; Mary G. Rockwell, for do., 5; Jane A. Russell, for do., 5; H. W. Partridge, for do., 1; L. Detta Moore, for do., .50, 409 64
Plainfield, Cong. ch. 5 54
Plympton, Cong. ch. 6 00
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Rockport, Cong. ch. 20 00
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Shelburne, 1st Cong. ch., J. A. Goodrich, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Somerville, Winter Hill Cong. ch. 10 00
South Dennis, Rev. C. B. Hurlburt, for Haystack offering, 5 00
South Framingham, Grace Cong. ch. 93 11
South Hadley, Cong. ch., Mary E. Brown, for Haystack offering, 2; Miss M. E. Woolley, for do., 10; Rose J. Topliff, for do., 2; Friend, for do., 5, 19 00
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Spencer, Chas. N. Prouty, 25 00
Springfield, Hope Cong. ch., toward support Dr. W. O. Ballantine, 161.46; South Cong. ch., Carrie L. King, for Haystack offering, 5; do., Mary W. Newell, for do., 1; Miss J. E. Strong, 1, 168 46
Stockbridge, Cong. ch., 14; A. Byington, 2d, for Haystack offering, 1, 15 00
Swampscott, Annie B. Jackson, for Haystack offering, 5; Mary C. E. Jackson, for do., 2, 7 00
Townsend, F. B. Harrison, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Wakefield, Cong. ch. 51 81
Walpole, Cong. ch., for Haystack offering, 27 00
Ware, East Cong. ch., O. W. and E. F. B. Coggeshall, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Warren, 1st Cong. ch. 73 00
Washington, Union Cong. ch., Rev. F. S. Child, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Webster, 1st Cong. ch. 22 37
Westboro, Cong. ch. 15 00
West Brookfield, Cong. ch., J. H. Gaylord, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Westfield, 2d Cong. ch., 33; H. W. Denis, for Haystack offering, 1, 34 00
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West Peabody, Cong. ch., Rev. W. L. Noyes, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Whitinsville, Edward Whitin, for Haystack offering, 500 00
Wilbraham, 1st Cong. ch. 40 00
Williamsburg, Cong. ch. 100 00
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——, N. M. Pratt, for Haystack offering, 1 00
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——, Friends, for Haystack offering, 24 75—6,643 87
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Walpole, Miss Clarissa Guild, by Frederick Guild, Ex'r, add'l, 3,408 62
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10,210 40

Rhode Island

East Providence, Rev. C. E. Gordon, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Pawtucket, Park-pl. ch., M. T. Kenyon, for Haystack offering, 10; 1st Cong. ch., 4, 14 00
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Westerly, Pawcatuck Cong. ch., Rev. G. E. Ladd, for Haystack offering, 3 00
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NEW HAMPSHIRE.—New Ipswich, Children's 45th annual fair, 1.50; Seabrook and Hampton Falls, Y. P. S. C. E., 1.80, 3 30
VERMONT.—St. Johnsbury, South Y. P. S. C. E., for Japan, 20 00
MASSACHUSETTS.—Athol, Y. P. S. C. E., for Mt. Silinda, 10; Boston, Immanuel ch. (Roxbury), Young People's Assoc., toward support Dr. W. T. Lawrence, 125; Clinton, 1st Y. P. S. C. E., toward support Rev. C. S. Sanders, 25; Easthampton, do., for Station Plan, 10; Fitchburg, Ger. Y. P. S. C. E., 5; Greenwich, Y. P. S. C. E., for Mt. Silinda, 5; Hardwick, do., 2.25; Leominster, do., 5.51; Lynn, North Y. P. S. C. E., 12.50; Melrose Highlands, Y. P. S. C. E., for Station Plan, 7.60; Norfolk, Y. P. S. C. E., for Shao-wu, 10; Somerville, Prospect Hill Y. P. S. C. E., 1; Westboro, Y. P. S. C. E., for Shao-wu, 10; Westhampton, do., for Sendai, 30, 253 86
284 16

Sunday Schools

MAINE.—No. Yarmouth, Cong. Sab. sch. 2 00
NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Walpole, Cong. Sab. sch., for Haystack offering, 12 00
VERMONT.—Ludlow, Cong. Sab. sch. 3 75
MASSACHUSETTS.—Berkeley, Cong. Sab. sch., 2; Boston, 2d Cong. Sab. sch. (Dorchester), Prim. class, for Haystack offering, 5; Melrose, Cong. Sab. sch., Jun. Dept., for India, 1.50; Middleboro, Central Cong. Sab. sch., 6.61; Orange, do., 5.85; Plymouth, Sab. sch. of ch. of the Pilgrimage, 10; Waltham, 1st Cong. Sab. sch., 2.50, 33 46
51 21

MIDDLE DISTRICT

Connecticut

Ansonia, 1st Cong. ch. 22 75
Bethel, Friend, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Black Rock, Cong. ch., 60.77; do., Mrs. H. C. Woodruff, for Haystack offering, 30; do., Rev. H. C. Woodruff, for Haystack offering, 5, 95 77
Branford, 1st Cong. ch. 81 00
Bridgeport, Rev. E. M. Packard, for Haystack offering, 10 00
East Haddam, 1st ch. of Christ, 10 70
East Hartland, Cong. ch., toward support Rev. L. S. Gates, 12 00
East Woodstock, Cong. ch. 17 00
Ellington, Cong. ch., Rev. D. E. Jones, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Enfield, 1st Cong. ch., Rev. J. P. Garfield, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Essex, 1st Cong. ch. 60 00
Fairfield, Cong. ch., to const. JOHN M. DEVO, H. M. 277 00
Farmington, H. W. Barbour, 3 81
Greenwich, 1st Cong. ch. 10 00
Haddam Neck, Cong. ch., add'l, 75
Hartford, Farmington-av. Cong. ch., to const., with previous donations, REV. FRED B. HILL, REV. CHAS. S. WILDER, PHILIP D. BUNCE, HORACE E. MATHER, and MISS ELIZABETH W. PAYNE, H. M., 281.83; do., H. I. Gardner, for Haystack offering, 2; Asylum Hill Cong. ch., Mrs. E. M. Capron, for Haystack offering, 5; do., Clara D. Capron, for do., 50; 1st Cong. ch., Friend, for do., 2; Wethersfield-av. Cong. ch., R. H. Mix, for do., 1.50; Rev. Austin B. Bassett, for do., 25; Geo. Calder, for do., 10; Miss M. P. Christie, for do., 5; Belle C. Morrill, for do., 5; Ada M. Woodford, for do., 5; Rev. Theo. Fisher, for do., 2; A. Akana, for do., 1, 345 83
Higganum, Cong. ch. 31 00
Ivoryton, Elizabeth Northrop, for Haystack offering, 25 00
Kent, 1st Cong. ch. 18 09
Lakeville, Cong. ch., Martha M. Norton, for Haystack offering, 1; Mrs. Joseph Parsons, for do., 50; H. S. Wilson, for do., 5, 56 00
Lyme, Grassy Hill Cong. ch. 2 00
Mansfield, 1st Cong. ch. 39 10
Meriden, 1st Cong. ch., H. A. Curtiss, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Middlefield, Miss Louise Boardman, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Middle Haddam, Cong. ch. 5 00
Middletown, 1st Cong. ch., of which 24.61 toward support Rev. H. N. Barnum, 45 08
New Britain, 1st Cong. ch., for Haystack offering, 100; South Cong. ch., H. C. Ide, for do., 5, 105 00
New Hartford, North Cong. ch. 18 00
New Haven, ch. of the Redeemer, toward support Rev. C. C. Tracy, 800; do., Lillian E. Prudden, for Haystack offering, 1; Rev. R. A. Archibald, for do., 10; P. B. Whitehead, for do., 5, 816 00
Newington, Cong. ch., Miss A. W. Belden, 1 00
New London, 1st ch. of Christ, 51.92; Friend, for Station Plan, 1, 52 92
New Preston, Rev. Henry Upson, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Newtown, Cong. ch., Susan J. Scudder, for Haystack offering, 5 00

Norfolk, Alice B. Bridgman, for Haystack offering, 10 00
North Guilford, John Rossiter, for native worker in China, 25 00
North Woodstock, Cong. ch. 12 80
Norwich, 1st Cong. ch., toward support Mrs. E. H. Smith, 65; do., L. A. Hyde, for Haystack offering, 5; do., Rev. G. H. Ewing, for do., 1.08; do., Perit Huntington, for do., 1, 72 08
Old Saybrook, Cong. ch. 23 30
Plainville, Swed. Cong. ch., toward support Rev. C. E. Ewing, 6 00
Plymouth, Cong. ch. 14 00
Poquonock, Cong. ch. 13 03
Portland, 1st Cong. ch. 63 67
Putnam, 2d Cong. ch., 17.05; do., Rev. F. D. Sargent, for Haystack offering, 5, 22 05
Salisbury, Cong. ch., of which 11.27 toward support Dr. F. D. Shepard, 36.27; Rev. J. C. Goddard, for Haystack offering, 5, 41 27
Sherman, Cong. ch., M. G. Gelston, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Simsbury, 1st Cong. ch. 22 93
Somers, 1st Cong. ch. 10 90
South Coventry, 1st Cong. ch. 40 52
Stafford Springs, C. V. Burnham, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Stratford, W. B. Cogswell, for Haystack offering, 10; Edith M. Packard, for do., 5, 15 00
Thomaston, 1st Cong. ch. 13 44
Torrington, Rev. A. W. Ackerman, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Trumbull, Cong. ch. 57 00
Washington, 1st Cong. ch. 90 00
Waterbury, 1st Cong. ch., Rev. C. A. Dinsmore, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Westbrook, Cong. ch. 10 32
Weston, Cong. ch. 21 68
Wethersfield, Cong. ch. 22 68
Whitneyville, Cong. ch. 21 32
Winchester, Cong. ch. 34 00
Woodstock, Nellie D. Chandler, for Haystack offering, 5; Amasa Chandler, for do., 4, 9 00—2,883 79
Legacies.—Cornwall, Silas C. Beers, add'l, 77 53
Sharon, Mrs. Catharine J. Barnum, by G. C. Hopkins, Ex'r, 500 00—577 53

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Correction.—In October *Herald* 106.50 from Cromwell should read from Cornwall.

New York

Bangor, Cong. ch., Mrs. Olive Adams, 10 00
Brooklyn, Tompkins-av. Cong. ch., for Haystack offering, 1,000; Puritan Cong. ch., 120.69; Plymouth Cong. ch., Rev. and Mrs. N. D. Hillis, for Haystack offering, 25; Mrs. W. G. Wood, for do., 15; R. C. Morse, for do., 10, 1,170 69
Buffalo, Plymouth Cong. ch. 10 00
Cambridge, John Londry, for Haystack offering, 50
Clifton Springs, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Spaulding, for Haystack offering, 20 00
Cohoes, Rev. W. M. Johnson, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Dunton, 1st Cong. ch. 15 90
Eagle Bridge, M. Ada Cross, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Gaines, Cong. ch. 21 50
Garrison-on-Hudson, Rev. Carroll Perry, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Jamaica, 1st Cong. ch., Rev. J. G. Roberts, for Haystack offering, 5 00
Lockport, W. C. Bell, for Haystack offering, 2 00
Maine, 1st Cong. ch. 7 17
Munnsville, 1st Cong. ch. 6 29
New York, Edwin H. Baker, for Haystack offering, 100; D. B. Holmes, for do., 100; John Sinclair, for do., 25; Geo. Alexander, for do., 10; W. H. Grant, for do., 10; Miss Bertha Conde, for do., 5; Miss C. T. Davison, for do., 5; C. V. Vickery, for do., 5; through J. H. Safford, toward support Geo. M. Newell, 5; C. O. E., 100; Friend, 1, 366 00
Ogdensburg, 1st Cong. ch. 10 00
Patchogue, 1st Cong. ch., Rev. and Mrs. S. W. Haven, for Haystack offering, 25; do., Miss E. W. Overton, for do., .50, 25 50
Port Henry, Rev. Lewis Francis, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Richford, Cong. ch. 3 64
Richville, Cong. ch., 5; Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Williams, 5; Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Spooner, 2; Mrs. Hannah Jones, 1; A. F. Spooner, 1, 14 00
Riverhead, Sound-av. Cong. ch. 52 65
Rochester, Mrs. A. S. Burnell, for Haystack offering, 12 00
Saratoga Springs, New England Cong. ch., Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Beckwith, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Sayville, Cong. ch. 40 43
Schenectady, C. A. Conant, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Walton, Cong. ch. 50—1,813 77
Legacies.—New York, John S. Kenyon, add'l, 624 81

2,438 58

New Jersey

Bound Brook, Laura K. Cook, for Haystack offering, 2 00
East Orange, Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Eddy, for Haystack offering, 25 00
Lakewood, Mrs. W. G., for Haystack offering, 5 00
Montclair, 1st Cong. ch., 1,200; W. S. D., for Haystack offering, 10, 1,210 00
New Brunswick, Miss M. H. Parker, 5 00—1,247 00

Pennsylvania

Easton, Clara Rice, for Haystack offering, 1 00
Kane, Cong. ch., 28; do., Woman's Miss. Soc., 3, 31 00
Philadelphia, Chas. C. Savage, 400; Mrs. Anna W. Reid, for Manamadura, 100; F. W. Buchanan, for Haystack offering, 3, 503 00—535 00
Legacies.—Philadelphia, Wm. H. Wanamaker, by Wm. H. Wanamaker, Jr., Mrs. Bessie B. Bremer, and Barton F. Blake, Ex'rs, 2,375 00

2,910 00

Ohio

Batavia, Mrs. Geo. Lee, 3 00
Berea, Rowland White, for work in Shansi, China, and West Africa, 10 00
Cincinnati, J. W. Bullock, for Haystack offering, 10 00
Cleveland, North Cong. ch., Ladies' Miss. Soc., 4; H. Clark Ford, for Haystack offering, 50; Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Sturges, 10, 64 00
Columbus, Washington-av. Cong. ch., Rev. M. J. Thomas, 5 00
Fort Recovery, Cong. ch. 12 37
Jefferson, 1st Cong. ch. 25 00
Lima, 1st Cong. ch. 5 75
Oberlin, 2d Cong. ch., 69.88; 1st Cong. ch., A. H. Pearson, for Haystack offering, 5; Y. M. C. A. and Y. W. C. A. of Oberlin College, toward support Rev. and Mrs. Paul L. Corbin, 1,006.75; Mrs. S. E. Park, for Haystack offering, 5; Friend, 5, 1,091 63
Twinsburg, H. C. Lane, 30 00
Youngstown, Plymouth Cong. ch., Pilgrim Miss. Soc., for Pang-Chuang, 30 00—1,286 75

District of Columbia

Washington, 1st Cong. ch., toward support Rev. L. S. Gates, 90; do., Friends, for Haystack offering, 65, 155 00

Virginia

Hampton, Miss M. T. Galpin, for Haystack offering, 1 00

North Carolina

Bethel, St. Augustine Cong. ch. 78

Georgia

—— State Union for Japan, 2 00

Young People's Societies

Connecticut. — Canton Center, Y. P. S. C. E., toward support Rev. and Mrs. C. E. Ewing, 10; Talcottville, do., for native preacher, Rahuri, 10, 20 00
New York. — Bay Shore, Y. P. S. C. E., 5; Riverhead, 1st Y. P. S. C. E., for Sendai, 6.75, 11 75
New Jersey. — Newark, 1st Jun. Y. P. S. C. E., for Africa, 10; do., Belleville-av. ch., Young People's Union, for Arupukottai, 7.50; Orange, Orange Valley Y. P. S. C. E., for China, 5, 22 50
District of Columbia. — Washington, 1st Y. P. S. C. E., for Haystack offering, 35 00
89 25

Sunday Schools

Connecticut. — Fairfield, Cong. Sab. sch., 25; Greenwich, 2d Cong. Sab. sch., 24.79; Harwinton, Cong. Sab. sch., 20; Milford, Plymouth Cong. Sab. sch., 10.63; Mystic, Cong. Sab. sch., 7.60; New London, Sab. sch. of 1st ch. of Christ, 15.60, 103 62
New York. — East Bloomfield, Cong. Sab. sch., 24.39; Mount Vernon, 1st Cong. Sab. sch., 2.46; New York, Bethany Cong. Sab. sch., 20, 46 85
Ohio. — Oberlin, 1st Cong. Sab. sch. 9 62
160 09

INTERIOR DISTRICT

Louisiana

Roseland, Cong. ch. 25 00

Oklahoma

Pond Creek, Union Cong. ch. 11 72
Legacies. — Kingfisher, Jared B. White, add'l, 50 00
61 72

Indiana

Angola, Cong. ch. 9 40
Elwood, Cong. ch. 15 45——24 85

Illinois

Avon, Cong. ch., Ladies' Miss. Soc. 2 50
Chicago, Pilgrim Cong. ch., toward support Rev. C. L. Storrs, 240; California-av. ch., toward support Rev. T. W. Woodside, 200; Warren-av. Cong. ch., 1; Bowmanville Cong. ch., 50; M. P. Green, 25, 466 50
Earlville, J. A. D. 25 00
Elburn, 1st Cong. ch. 10 90
Evanston, 1st Cong. ch., toward support Rev. D. C. Greene, 50 00
Mendon, Cong. ch. 15 66
Moline, 1st Cong. ch., 96.50; 2d Cong. ch., 8.50, 105 00
Naperville, Cong. ch. 45 00
Neponset, Cong. ch. 7 65
Oak Park, 1st Cong. ch., of which 172 toward support Dr. W. A. Hemingway and 61 toward support Rev. and Mrs. R. Chambers, 344 21
St. Charles, Cong. ch. 7 30
Seward, Cong. ch., 20; 2d Cong. ch., 17.12, 37 12—1,116 84
Legacies. — Morrison, Wm. Wallace, by Robt. Wallace, add'l, 500 00
1,616 84

Michigan

Chelsea, Cong. ch. 23 50
Hilliards, Cong. ch. 12 75
Maple Grove, Maple Grove Appointment, 3 00
Three Oaks, Cong. ch. 122 53
Upton Works, Cong. ch. 3 75——165 53

Wisconsin

Beloit, 2d Cong. ch., 7.64; Mrs. L. M. Hill, deceased, 250, 257 64
Elkhorn, Cong. ch. 15 75
Harris Ridge, Cong. ch. 1 80
Mill Creek, Cong. ch. 22 00
Milwaukee, Bethlehem Cong. ch. 5 00
Mukwonago, Cong. ch. 5 00
Oshkosh, 1st Cong. ch. 70 00
Princeton, Cong. ch. 3 00
Ripon, Cong. ch. 42 85
Shullsburg, Cong. ch. 5 00
Sun Prairie, Cong. ch. 12 00
Tomahawk, Cong. ch. 5 69——445 73
Legacies. — Milwaukee, Mrs. Eunice L. Story, by H. G. Story, Adm'r, 50 00
495 73

Minnesota

Freedom, 1st Cong. ch. 5 00
Hawley, Union Cong. ch. 6 15
Lake Itasca, Rev. G. F. Morton, 5 00
Mapleton, Cong. ch. 1 00
Minneapolis, Plymouth Cong. ch., 114.75; do., Rev. L. H. Hallock, 10; do., W. H. Zeigler, 5; Pilgrim Cong. ch., 22.05; Linden Hills, W. E. Burnham, 2; R. D. Valentine, 2.50, 156 30
Northfield, Cong. ch., D. F. Mowery, for Haystack offering, 1 00
St. Paul, Park Cong. ch. 5 00
Sauk Center, C. E. Chaney, for Haystack offering, 2 00——181 45

Iowa

Alden, Cong. ch. 5 00
Danville, Cong. ch. 38 37
Des Moines, E. S. Miller, 10, and Clara I. Miller, 1, for Haystack offering, 11 00
Dewitt, Cong. ch. 6 65
Farragut, Cong. ch. 26 60
Glenwood, Cong. ch. 17 04
Grand View, Cong. ch. 6 05
Keokuk, Cong. ch. 14 50
Larchwood, 1st Cong. ch. 6 85
Maquoketa, Cong. ch. 1 25
Marshalltown, 1st Cong. ch. 12 78
McGregor, 1st Cong. ch. 65 00
McIntire, Cong. ch. 3 05
Minden, Cong. ch. 10 00
Perry, Cong. ch. 17 45——241 59

Missouri

Calumet, Cong. ch., for Sendai, 30 00
Carthage, Friend, 100 00
St. Joseph, Tab. Cong. ch., for Arupukottai, 30 00
St. Louis, Pilgrim Cong. ch. 114 00——274 00

North Dakota

Carrington, Rev. Robt. Paton, toward support Rev. John X. Miller, 30 00

Chatfield, Pilgrim Cong. ch. 4 70
Maxbass, Cong. ch. 3 87
Wahpeton, 1st Cong. ch. 7 62
Wyndmere, Cong. ch. 2 00——48 19

South Dakota

Elk Point, Mrs. E. J. Fox, 5 00
Eureka, Ger. Cong. chs. 15 00
Herrick, Albert Mygatt, 1 00
Wakonda, Cong. ch. 2 33——23 33

Nebraska

Aurora, 1st Cong. ch. 12 90
Beatrice, 1st Cong. ch. 12 50
Bruning, Cong. ch. 3 15
Burwell, Cong. ch. 2 35
Crete, L. E. Benton, 2 00
Elgin, Park Cong. ch. 13 03
Fairmount, Cong. ch. 25 20
Germantown, Cong. ch. 16 00
Harvard, 1st Cong. ch. 25 58
Hastings, 1st Cong. ch. 50 00
Olive Branch, Ger. Cong. ch. 10 00
Ravenna, Cong. ch. 10 00
Springview, W. C. Brown, 5 00——187 71

Kansas

Anthony, Cong. ch. 11 50
Ellis, Cong. ch. 8 00
Newton, 1st Cong. ch., W. I. Plumb, 5 00
Topeka, 1st Cong. ch., toward support Rev. Thos. Gray, 70.85; Seabrook Cong. ch., 2, 72 85
Wakefield, Cong. ch. 56 67——154 02

Colorado

Boulder, 1st Cong. ch. 50 00
Colorado Springs, P. C. Hildreth, 15 00
Eaton, Cong. ch., Men's K. E. Soc., for Mt. Silinda and Pang-Chuang, 20 00
Florence, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Bissell and son, 10 00
Highland Lake, Cong. ch. 4 23——99 23

Young People's Societies

Alabama.—Beloit, Industrial Mission, Y. P. S. C. E. 6 00
Illinois.—Boaz, Y. P. S. C. E., 1.54; Oak Park, 2d Y. P. S. C. E., for Mt. Silinda, 10; Peoria, Y. P. S. C. E. of Union Cong. ch., Miss K. E. Chapman, for Aruppukottai, 5; Sandwich, Y. P. S. C. E., 6.54, 23 08
Wisconsin.—Mukwonago, Y. P. S. C. E., for Mexico, 7.50; Waukesha, Tab. Y. P. S. C. E., 11.75, 19 25
Minnesota.—Brainerd, Y. P. S. C. E. 1 00
Iowa.—Atlantic, Y. P. S. C. E., 6.50; Niles, do., toward support Rev. G. E. White, 2.50; Rock Rapids, do., for do., 2.75, 11 75
Missouri.—Webster Groves, Y. P. S. C. E., for Shao-wu, 30 00
Nebraska.—Norfolk, Y. P. S. C. E., toward support Rev. F. W. Bates, 5 00
96 08

Sunday Schools

Alabama.—Woodbine, Cong. Sab. sch. 12 48
Illinois.—St. Charles, Cong. Sab. sch. 5 00
Wisconsin.—Apollonia, Cong. Sab. sch., 1; Shopiere, do., 5.60, 6 60
South Dakota.—Elk Point, Cong. Sab. sch., 6.24; Worthing, do., 4, 10 24
Colorado.—Denver, 4th-av. Sab. sch. 5 00
39 32

PACIFIC DISTRICT

Washington

Bellingham, C. S. Teel, 10 00
Ferndale, Cong. ch. 12 82
Ritzville, Zion Ger. Cong. ch., for Pang-Chuang, 40 00——62 82

Oregon

Cedar Mills, Ger. Cong. ch. 20 00
Forest Grove, Cong. ch. 2 75
Portland, Ebenezer Cong. ch. 10 00
Willsburg, Cong. ch. 10 00——42 75

California

Berkeley, Rev. John K. McLean, 25 00
Dehesa, Cong. ch. 5 10
Mill Valley, Cong. ch. 2 50
Pacific Grove, Mayflower Cong. ch. 1 00
Pomona, Pilgrim Cong. ch., for Haystack offering, 50 00
San Juan, Cong. ch. 11 00
Santa Ana, Cong. ch. 10 40
Santa Rosa, Cong. ch. 4 40——109 40

Young People's Societies

California.—Palo Alto, Y. P. S. C. E. for Pang-Chuang, 5 00

MISCELLANEOUS

Canada

Montreal, Mrs. Annie W. Read, 5 00

Africa

Melsetter, H. Juliette Gilson, for Haystack offering, 2 50
Wellington, Anna M. Cummings, 10 00——12 50

Bulgaria

Samokov, Rev. T. T. Holway, 10; Rev. L. F. Ostrander, 10; Miss E. T. Maltbie, 2.50; M. M. Haskell, 2.50; Anon., 2, 27 00

China

——, Dr. and Mrs. H. N. Kinnear, 5 00
Foochow, Mrs. L. P. Peet, for Haystack offering, 1 00——6 00

Japan

Kyoto, Missionary, for Haystack offering, 10 00

Turkey

Mardin, Rev. R. S. Emrich, 14 00

From the American Missionary Association
H. W. Hubbard, New York City, *Treasurer*
Income of Avery Fund, for missionary work in Africa, 1,673 53

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For losses by fire for Miss H. C. Norton, 75 00
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NEW HAMPSHIRE.—Reeds Ferry, Jun. Y. P. S. C. E., for pupil, care Rev. R. A. Hume, 20; Rindge, Y. P. S. C. E., for pupil, care Rev. T. D. Christie, 50, 70 00

VERMONT.—Sherburne, Jun. Y. P. S. C. E., for pupil, care Rev. Wm. Hazen, 7 00

MASSACHUSETTS.—Athol, Y. P. S. C. E., for student, care Rev. H. C. Hazen, 25; Attleboro Falls, Central Y. P. S. C. E., for student, care Rev. Wm. Hazen, 10; Boston, Mt. Vernon Chinese Sab. sch., for work, care Rev. C. R. Hager, 100; do., B. C. Lane, for work, care Rev. Wm. P. Clarke, 10; do., Miss F. C. Fountain, for work, care Rev. E. H. Smith, 3; Bridgewater, Moses Babikian, for pupil, care Rev. T. D. Christie, 30; Dedham, Special, for use Rev. E. C. Partridge, 25; Mill River, Cong. Sab. sch., for work, care Mrs. R. Winsor, 3.75; Northampton, Edwards Cong. ch., Friend, for work in Pang-Chuang, 10; Norwood, Friend, for Monastir Orphanage, 25; Salem, Crombie-st. Y. P. S. C. E., for work, care Rev. F. Van Allen, 55; Taunton, Y. P. S. C. E. of Union Cong. ch., for pupil, care Rev. J. S. Chandler, 15; Whitinsville, Y. P. S. C. E., toward support Rev. R. A. Hume's secretary, 33.50; Whitman, Cong. ch., for work, care Rev. E. Fairbank, 11.76; ———, Friends, through Miss E. M. Stone, for Thessalonica Agricultural and Industrial Institute, 150.84, 507 85

RHODE ISLAND.—Providence, Mrs. A. G. Thompson, for pupil, care Miss S. N. Loughridge, 5 00

CONNECTICUT.—Chester, Cong. Sab. sch., for medical work, care Dr. W. A. Hemingway, 36.25; Farmington, do., for pupils, care Rev. B. K. Hunsberger, 5.50; Franklin, Cong. ch., for boys' school, care Rev. E. H. Smith, 10; Hartford, Asylum-av. Cong. ch., Friend, for orphanage, care Rev. G. C. Raynolds, 30; do., Sarah B. Colver, for work, care Rev. J. S. Porter, 25; do., Mrs. B. E. Hooker, for pupil, care Mrs. B. K. Hunsberger, 10; New London, Chinese Sab. sch. of 1st ch. of Christ, for work, care Rev. C. A. Nelson, 15; Norwich, 1st Cong. ch., for work, care Rev. H. P. Perkins, 14; Somers, Guests at Tarsus, 1905, for kindergarten at Tarsus, 30, 175 75

NEW YORK.—Jamestown, Prim. Dept. of 1st Cong. Sab. sch., for medical work, care Dr. H. L. Underwood, 10; Lyons, Miss J. T. Brownson, for pupil, care Rev. B. K. Hunsberger, 15; New York, North Cong. ch., Int. Y. P. S. C. E., for work, care Rev. J. P. Jones, 10, 35 00

NEW JERSEY.—East Orange, 1st Y. P. S. C. E., for Bible-reader, care Dr. W. S. Dodd, 10; do., Friend, through Rev. D. B. Eddy, for work, care Rev. J. C. Perkins, 50, 60 00

OHIO.—Cleveland, Trinity ch., Y. P. S. C. E., for Ponasang Hospital, 6; Greenwich, Mrs. Ellen M. Healy, 10; Lorain, 1st Cong. ch., Mrs. L. M. Horn, for pupil, care Rev. Paul L. Corbin, 10; Oberlin, Oberlin College, class of 1893, for work, care Rev. F. B. Bridgman, 238.50; Toledo, Birmingham Cong. Sab. sch., for pupil, care Mrs. M. L. Sibley, 15; do., Birmingham Y. P. S. C. E., for work, care Miss Gertrude Cozad, 5, 284 50

MARYLAND.—Baltimore, The mother of the late Wm. Cross Moore, in memoriam, for Armenian orphans, 25 00

FLORIDA.—Deland, A. Howard, for Ponasang Hospital, 20 00

KENTUCKY.—Berea, Union ch., Friends, for work, care Rev. J. P. Jones, 15; Louisville, Mrs. J. A. Leech, for pupil, care Miss Elizabeth H. Brewer, 20, 35 00

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MINNESOTA.—Minneapolis, Plymouth Cong. ch., for boys' school, care Rev. A. H. Clark, 401.50; do., Pilgrim Cong. ch., for school, care Rev. H. K. Wingate, 5; do., 5th-av. Y. P. S. C. E., for Bible-woman, care Miss E. S. Hartwell, 5; Princeton, J. R. Henderson, for pupil, care Rev. J. X. Miller, 10, 421 50

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Income Twentieth Century Fund, 5,666 66

76,967 42

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Amount of debt of September 1, 1906, 85,417 39

Minutes of the Annual Meeting

THE American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions commenced its Ninety-seventh Annual Meeting in the Methodist Episcopal Church of North Adams, Mass., Tuesday, October 9, 1906, at 3 P.M.

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Mrs. Amy J. Currie, West Central Africa.

* Also Corporate Members.

Persons under Appointment

Rev. and Mrs. Stephen vR. Trowbridge, Central Turkey.
Dr. Edwin St. John Ward, Eastern Turkey.
Miss Charlotte Allen, Eastern Turkey.
Rev. Robert Ernest Hume PH.D., Marathi.
Miss Laura Caswell, Marathi
Miss Julia Green, Ceylon.
Rev. Brownell Gage, Yale Mission.

President Capen took the chair, and devotional services were conducted by Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, of Brooklyn, N. Y.

An address of welcome was made by Hon. Marshall Ford, the mayor of North Adams, and a response was made by President Capen.

The material portion of the Minutes of the last meeting was read.

The President appointed the following Committee on Nominations: Rev. Frank T. Bayley, Rev. A. E. Dunning, Rev. Lewellyn Pratt, H. T. Lay, Esq., Rev. H. P. Dewey, Rev. H. M. Tenney, J. M. Gould.

The following committee was nominated by the President and was elected: —

Business Committee. — Augustus W. Benedict, Esq., Rev. Edward L. Smith, George E. Keith, Esq., Rev. Frank N. White, Rev. A. W. Vernon.

Prof. Edward C. Moore offered the resolutions which formed the conclusion of a letter addressed in print by the President to the Corporate Members of the Board.

These resolutions were referred to the Business Committee.

Prof. Edward C. Moore presented from the Prudential Committee notice of certain proposed amendments to the By-Laws, which, under the rule, went over for later consideration.

Professor Moore, chairman of the Prudential Committee, presented a statement as to a proposed history of the American Board, requesting that the Board take into consideration the matter of the preparation and publication of such a history. This request was referred to the Business Committee.

Mr. Frank H. Wiggin presented his report as Treasurer and the report of the expert accountant employed by the Auditors, with the Auditors' report.

Sec. Cornelius H. Patton presented the report of the Home Department, announcing at the conclusion that the entire debt of the Board is paid.

A prayer of thanksgiving was offered by Vice-President Hopkins, and the Doxology was sung.

Sec. James L. Barton presented the Annual Survey of the Missions.

Addresses were made by Dr. William S. Dodd, of Turkey, and by Rev. Irving M. Channon, of Micronesia.

Col. Charles A. Hopkins introduced the following resolution, which was referred to the Business Committee: —

Resolved, That the Prudential Committee be instructed to take the necessary steps to secure such constitutional changes as will permit the Prudential Committee temporarily to fill any vacancies that may arise in the executive offices or in the Prudential Committee until the following meeting of the Board.

Mr. A. W. Benedict of the Business Committee recommended the adoption of the request of the Prudential Committee for the appointment of a committee of five on the publishing of the history of the Board, and that the resolutions at the close of the President's address be made the order of business in connection with the afternoon session of Thursday; and both recommendations were adopted.

The Nominating Committee reported the following nominations for committees: —

On the Foreign Department. — Rev. Raymond Calkins, Rev. A. P. Fitch, Rev. George H. Ewing, E. H. Pitkin, Rev. J. W. Bradshaw, Rev. E. L. Smith, Elliot S. Miller, A. W. Benedict, Dyer B. Holmes.

On the Home Department. — Rev. R. W. McLaughlin, Pres. L. C. Seelye, Rev. De Witt Clark, Rev. W. A. Waterman, Rev. Joseph Anderson.

On Place and Preacher. — Rev. A. J. Lyman, Rev. John De Peu, Rev. W. E. Strong, Rev. J. E. Snowden, Rev. Sydney Strong.

On Treasurer's Report (to report next year). — C. A. Hull, W. W. Mills, W. H. Catlin, Rev. L. H. Hallock, Rev. H. Fairbanks.

Committee on a History of the Board. — Rev. H. P. Beach, Pres. J. K. McLean, Rev. E. D. Eaton, Rev. George R. Merrill, W. F. Whittemore.

After the benediction by Rev. John R. Thurston, adjournment was taken to 7.30 o'clock.

TUESDAY EVENING

The President took the chair at 7.30 o'clock.

Rev. Chauncey J. Hawkins led the devotional exercises.

The annual sermon was delivered by Pres. George A. Gates, of Pomona College, from the text (2 Cor. 5: 14), "For the love of Christ constraineth us."

The Nominating Committee, through Dr. Dunning, reported the following: —

Committee on Nomination of Officers. — Rev. Nehemiah Boynton, A. L. Williston, W. R. Burnham, A. W. Benedict, Rev. L. H. Hallock.

The Board united in the communion of the Lord's Supper, administered by Rev. W. A. Farnsworth and Rev. L. H. Hallock.

And adjournment was taken to Wednesday, at 7.30 P.M.

[A note may here properly be inserted concerning the meetings not officially connected with the Annual Meeting of the Board, which were held at Williamstown on Wednesday, October 10.

A morning prayer meeting was to have been held at the Haystack Monument, but on account of the rain was transferred to Jesup Hall. An "Academic Service," under the auspices of Williams College, was held in the Thompson Memorial Chapel, at which President Hopkins gave an address of welcome, to which President Capen of the Board responded. Addresses followed by Pres. W. D. Hyde, of Bowdoin College; Rev. Dr. Edward Judson; and Pres. W. J. Tucker, of Dartmouth College. At the same hour a service, under the auspices of the Connecticut Valley Student Missionary Conference, was held in the Congregational Church, with addresses by Rev. John H. Denison, of Boston; Prof. Edward C. Moore, of Harvard College; Rev. S. M. Zwemer, D.D.; and Dr. Newell Dwight Hillis, of Brooklyn.

In the afternoon in Mission Park, close by the Haystack Monument, and under the open sky, a great assembly convened, President Capen presiding. An address by Sec. Arthur J. Brown, of the Presbyterian Board of Missions, and brief greetings from ten native Christians from foreign mission fields of the Board were followed by a memorial thank-offering service, conducted by Mr. John R. Mott, resulting in the receipt of pledges amounting to $12,918.45. A prayer meeting followed, led by Mr. Luther D. Wishard.]

WEDNESDAY EVENING, OCTOBER 10

The President took the chair at 7.30 o'clock.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Rev. Washington Gladden.

Addresses were delivered by Pres. Henry C. King, on "The Changes within the Century in Missionary Theory and Practice," and by Rev. Henry E. Cobb, on "The Appeal of the Haystack Prayer Meeting to the Churches of Today."

An address from the Armenian Evangelical Alliance of America was presented by the Rev. G. M. Manavian, the Moderator of the Alliance.

After the benediction by Dr. Gladden, adjournment was taken to 9.30 A.M. on Thursday.

THURSDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 11

The President took the chair at 9.30 o'clock.

Devotional services were conducted by Rev. George F. Pentecost.

The Minutes to date were read and approved.

Greetings were brought from the United Brethren in Christ and their Foreign Missionary Society by Bishop William M. Bell, D.D.

Greetings were brought from the Methodist Protestants by Rev. T. J. Ogburn.

Response was made to both greetings by Prof. Edward C. Moore, and prayer was offered by Rev. William H. Ward.

Report of the Committee on the Work of the Foreign Department was presented by Rev. G. H. Ewing, and addresses were made by Rev. Raymond Calkins, of Maine, and Rev. Walter T. Currie, of West Central Africa.

Report of the Committee on the Home Department was presented by Rev. R. W. McLaughlin, who also made an address.

Mr. A. W. Benedict of the Business Committee reported back the motion offered by Colonel Hopkins instructing the Prudential Committee to take such necessary steps as will enable them to secure constitutional changes permitting the Prudential Committee to fill temporarily vacancies that may occur in the executive offices or in the Prudential Committee until the following meeting of the Board; and it was adopted.

Mr. Joshua W. Davis presented the report of the Committee on the Treasurer's Report.

Adjournment was taken to 2.30 P.M.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

President Capen took the chair at 2.30.

A hymn was sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. W. V. W. Davis, of Massachusetts.

The local committees of arrangements were elected as follows: —

North Adams Committees. — *General chairman*, Theodore E. Busfield, D.D.; *on Finance*, D. J. Barber, chairman, T. W. Sykes, C. H. Cutting; *on Entertainment*, C. Q. Richmond, chairman, George French, Mrs. H. E. Wetherbee, Mrs. George W. Chase; *on Arrangements*, George W. Chase, chairman, W. F. Darby, Mrs. C. H. Cutting; *on Railroads*, F. E. Carlisle, chairman, H. E. Wetherbee; *on Welcome*, Jesse B. Spruill; *on Program*, James E. Hunter, chairman, Mrs. J. C. Goodrich.

Williamstown Committees. — *General Committee*, Leverett Mears, chairman, Miss Grace Perry, secretary; *on Finance*, G. B. Waterman, chairman; *on Entertainment*, E. M. Lewis, chairman; *on Luncheon*, Mrs. Botsford, chairman; *on Souvenir Program*, F. T. Clayton, chairman; *on Reception*, Leverett Mears, chairman; *on Exercise and Meetings*, Henry Hopkins, chairman.

Adams Committee. — F. E. Mole, chairman.

The President nominated the following as members of the Committee on Nomination of New Members, to serve three years: Rev. George C. Adams, Mr. Dyer B. Holmes, and Rev. Ambrose W. Vernon.

Mr. Arthur H. Wellman presented, on behalf of the Prudential Committee, a motion that the following changes be made in the By-Laws, so that they will conform to votes passed at this meeting: —

In Article III, Section 11, page 8, strike out "three" before the words "corresponding secretaries," and substitute "two" therefor. In the same section, after the words "editorial secretary" insert "one or more associate secretaries." After the word "treasurer," in the same line, strike out the words "assistant treasurer." After the word "auditors," same section, top of page 9, add the words "an assistant treasurer may be elected."

In Section 15, page 11, second paragraph, first line, alter the word "secretaries" to "secretary." In the seventh line strike out the word "their" and substitute "his." In the same line strike out the word "respectively." In the eleventh line of the same paragraph strike out "they" and substitute "he." In the third paragraph, same section, first line, strike out "secretaries" and substitute "secretary." In the seventh line of the

same paragraph strike out "they" and substitute "he." In the eleventh and twelfth lines strike out "they have" and substitute "he has." In the fifteenth line strike out "they" and substitute "he."

These changes were adopted.

Pres. W. Douglas Mackenzie reported, in behalf of the committee appointed last year upon the resignation of Vice-President Hopkins, as follows, and the report was adopted: —

It is now two years since Dr. Henry Hopkins, President of Williams College, expressed the desire that he should not be renominated for the office of Vice-President of the American Board.

Happily the Board was able, with Dr. Hopkins's acquiescence, to reappoint him twice since that request was made by him. But he has now repeated it with emphasis, feeling that his personal desire and his deliberate judgment should be respected.

Your committee would put on record its sense of the very high value to the work of the American Board of Dr. Hopkins's personal influence throughout the country, and of his sympathy and wisdom in the councils of the Board. One of the reasons which have impelled Dr. Hopkins to make this repeated request is his conviction that the office of Vice-President should be filled by one whose home and work do not lie in the same general region of the country as those of the other officers of the Board. Your committee would suggest that both courtesy toward Dr. Hopkins and practical wisdom would be observed by following his advice.

Rev. Washington Gladden presented the following resolution, which was referred to the Business Committee and reported back by them for action by the Board: —

Under the good providence of God, and, as we trust, by the guidance of his gracious Spirit, the Christians of this country, bearing the names of United Brethren, Methodist Protestants, and Congregationalists, have been drawing together in the hope of a closer unity, and with the desire for more efficient coöperation in Christian work.

We rejoice in all that this movement signifies and promises, and we believe that the time has come when, without waiting for the adjustment of questions of polity and vested interests, it may be possible for the people of these three denominations to unite their forces in the work of foreign missions.

Be it therefore *resolved*, That a committee of seven persons be appointed by the Board at this meeting to consult with representatives of the missionary interests of the other denominations, with a view to the speedy consolidation of the foreign missionary work of the three Christian bodies.

The resolution was adopted, and the President of the Board appointed as such committee: Rev. W. Gladden, Rev. W. H. Ward, Rev. A. E. Dunning, Rev. J. L. Barton, Pres. Cyrus Northrop, Pres. J. B. Angell, and Edward H. Pitkin.

Rev. Charles H. Daniels, in behalf of the committee to nominate new Corporate Members, reported, recommending the acceptance of the resignations of E. C. Barnard, of Wisconsin, and J. C. Noyes, of Ohio; and their resignations were accepted. The committee also reported for record that the following gentlemen, elected to Corporate Membership last year, have declined the election: Mr. J. A. Smith, Iowa; Mr. C. E. Hodgin, New Mexico; Mr. F. D. Winslow, Illinois.

The committee was instructed last year in the following terms: "It may also from time to time transfer unallotted present members into the class of members "at large." In accordance with such instructions your committee has decided to place in its membership "at large" class the Corporate Members who come under the following heads: —

1. Officers and Prudential Committee of the Board.
2. Executive officers of other missionary societies.

3. College and university presidents and professors.

4. Professors in theological seminaries.

5. And, in general, those whose official relations are with the denomination at large, rather than with localities, and members from other denominations.

The following Corporate Members, on recommendation of the various associations and conferences, were nominated and duly elected: Henry W. Lane, of Cheshire Conference, New Hampshire; Rev. Harry R. Miles, of Windham Conference, Vermont; Rev. Clifford H. Smith, of Rutland Conference, Vermont; Rev. Charles C. Merrill, of Worcester North Conference, Massachusetts; Rev. Samuel M. Cathcart, of Old Colony Conference, Massachusetts; Frederick A. Russell, of Essex North Conference, Massachusetts; Daniel O. Rogers, of Central Conference, Connecticut; Uriah S. Shelley, of Central North Conference, Ohio; Edward H. Rhoades, of Toledo Conference, Ohio; Rev. Mason Noble, of State Association, Florida; Rev. John C. Myers, of Central Association, Illinois; Rev. Archibald Hadden, of Muskegon Association, Michigan; George N. Stray, of North Central Association, Michigan; C. B. Stowell, of Southern Association, Michigan; C. S. Kitchell, of State Association, Wisconsin; Charles H. Cooper, of Mankato Conference, Minnesota; George E. Perley, of Northern Pacific Conference, Minnesota; Edward E. Holmes, of Kansas City Association, Missouri; Judge Newton C. Young, of Fargo Conference, North Dakota; Rev. George B. Denison, of Grand Forks Conference, North Dakota; Rev. Henry K. Hawley, of Jamestown Conference, North Dakota; Rev. George Edward Green, of Central Association, South Dakota; Charles H. Tully, of Columbus Association, Nebraska; Rev. L. O. Baird, of Omaha Association, Nebraska; Rev. Francis L. Hayes, of Central Association, Kansas; Edward H. Talcott, of State Association, Montana; Rev. Andrew U. Ogilvie, of State Association, Indiana; Rev. Josiah H. Heald, of State Association, New Mexico; Rev. Charles E. Mason, of State Association, Idaho; Peter Cook, of Upper Bay Association, California. At large: Prof. Williston Walker, of Connecticut; Prof. Edward I. Bosworth, of Ohio; Clarence H. Kelsey, of New York; James M. Speers, of New Jersey; Hon. William R. Castle, of Hawaiian Territory; William H. Crosby, of New York; Pres. George A. Gates, of California; John G. Jennings, of Ohio; Harry Wade Hicks, of Massachusetts; Frank Kimball, of Illinois; H. H. Kennedy, of Illinois; Rev. Edwin H. Byington, of Massachusetts; Rev. Albert P. Fitch, of Massachusetts.

Rev. L. H. Hallock reported for the Committee to Nominate Officers of the Board the following nominations, and they were duly elected: —

President

Samuel B. Capen.

Vice-President

Albert J. Lyman.

Corresponding Secretaries

James L. Barton.
Cornelius H. Patton.

Recording Secretary

Henry A. Stimson.

Assistant Recording Secretary

Edward N. Packard.

Editorial Secretary

E. E. Strong.

Associate Secretaries

Harry Wade Hicks.
William E. Strong.

Treasurer

Frank H. Wiggin.

Auditors

Edwin H. Baker.
Henry E. Cobb.
William B. Plunkett.

Prudential Committee

For three years

EDWARD WHITIN.
F. O. WINSLOW.
ARTHUR L. GILLETT.

In place of Rev. F. E. Clark, who declines reëlection

CHARLES A. HOPKINS.

Also, in place of Rev. F. J. Van Horn, whose term of office expires in 1907

REV. E. H. BYINGTON.

In place of Samuel C. Darling, whose term of office expires in 1908

HENRY H. PROCTOR.

In place of Frederick Fosdick, whose term of office expires in 1908

REV. ALBERT P. FITCH.

Rev. Harlan P. Beach reported, in behalf of a committee appointed to consider the "Report of the Prudential Committee in the matter of the History of the American Board," as follows, and their recommendations were adopted: —

Your committee, after having considered the various questions involved in the original report, and after consulting persons having special knowledge of the questions involved, would report their conclusions, with recommendations, as follows: —

1. The members of the committee are unanimous and hearty in recommending the preparation of a history of the American Board. So noteworthy is this history and so varied are the uses of its printed record that they recommend the preparation of two editions, one a single volume popular history, the other a more elaborate work in two volumes.

2. Your committee would recommend that the popular edition be prepared to be published two years hence. Furthermore they would express their conviction that in view of the special expense involved it should not be undertaken until a guarantee fund of $5,000 is secured outside of the regular sources of the Board's income.

3. As for the two-volume work, your committee would recommend that it be published, if possible, before the centenary of the sending of the Board's first missionaries, which will occur in 1912. Notwithstanding the transcendent importance of this work, the expense involved in the proper preparation of such a history, extending as it must through a number of years, is so great that your committee are strongly of the conviction that it should not be undertaken unless a guarantee fund of $25,000 can be secured privately and without interfering with regular contributions.

4. Though the expectation of the original committee intrusted with this matter cannot be realized, namely, that Dr. Strong should render assistance such as no other person can possibly give, your committee is confident that the work can be worthily done, either alone by Edward W. Capen, PH.D., with clerical assistance and in consultation with an advisory committee to be appointed by the Prudential Committee, or in collaboration with such other persons as the Prudential Committee may appoint.

The Committee on Place and Preacher reported through Rev. John De Peu, recommending that the next meeting of the Board be held with Pilgrim Church, Cleveland, with the understanding that the Committee of Arrangements provide for full time for the meeting of the Board to secure unity and continuity in its meetings. The recommendation was adopted. The committee recommended that Rev. Charles S. Mills, of St. Louis, be the preacher and Rev. Washington Gladden be the alternate, and it was so voted.

The Business Committee reported back with its approval the following resolutions, which were printed in President Capen's letter to the Corporate Members: —

With profound gratitude to God we wish to acknowledge the results of nearly a hundred years of missionary service to far-off nations. But, great as has been the success, we recognize that it has been far below both our ability and our opportunity. The work has been carried on by only a part of our church membership; the sacrifices of the few ought to be the sacrifices of all.

(1) We believe, *first*, it would be a disgrace to our churches to compel the Prudential Committee *because of the lack of funds* to give up or curtail any of the present work of the Board. Work may be transferred, but only when it can be more economically or efficiently carried on by others.

(2) *Second.* We approve of such larger expenditure in cultivating the home field and in work for young people as in the judgment of the Prudential Committee may be desirable, to the end that the new century, both at home and abroad, may begin with an advance and not a retreat.

Remarks were made upon the second resolution by Rev. Lyman Abbott, Sec. C. C. Creegan, Sec. A. N. Hitchcock, Mr. C. A. Hopkins, Sec. H. Melville Tenney.

Mr. John H. Perry moved that a committee of three be appointed to take into consideration the pending resolutions and report this evening a resolution which shall more fully express our gratitude to God for the success of the missionary work of the past century and shall express our hope that the Prudential Committee will be able to find some wise way to bring about a continually increasing interest in foreign missions among the members of our churches.

The motion was carried, and the President appointed Mr. John H. Perry, Rev. Homer T. Fuller, and W. W. Mills as such committee.

Rev. Homer T. Fuller offered a resolution upon increasing the activity of the Corporate Members of the Board in securing funds for the Board. After remarks by Edwin H. Baker, E. H. Pitkin, Samuel Usher, Rev. W. Hayes Ward, C. A. Hull, Rev. O. S. Dean, Pres. Henry Hopkins, the resolution was referred to the committee of three just appointed.

After the benediction by Rev. Joseph H. Twichell, adjournment was taken to 7.30 P.M.

THURSDAY EVENING

The President took the chair at 7.30.

A hymn was sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. John R. Thurston.

The committee of three to whom was referred the resolutions appended to the President's letter to the Corporate Members reported the following resolutions, which were adopted: —

We give glory to God for the results of missionary service during the past century, and are profoundly grateful for the part which we have been permitted to bear in it, but sincerely regret that this has been so far below both our ability and the opportunity. We hope that the present work of the Board will not be curtailed, and we approve of such larger expenditure in cultivating the home field and in work among young people as in the judgment of the Prudential Committee may be desirable, to the end that the new century, both at home and abroad, may begin with an advance and not a retreat.

Resolved, That the Prudential Committee be requested to take into consideration the question of the assignment of the territory in which the Corporate Members reside among them, either by conferences or associations, state or local, requesting these to secure, each in his own area, the utmost possible interest in and personal subscriptions to the work of the Board, it being understood that this duty is to be performed in coöperation with the regular agencies employed by the Board for this purpose.

An address was made by Rev. Samuel M. Zwemer, D.D., of Arabia (Board of Foreign Missions of the Reformed Church), on "The Evangelization of the Mohammedan World in this Generation."

Prayer was offered by Rev. F. P. Haggard, secretary of the American Baptist Missionary Union.

Sec. James L. Barton gave an address upon "The Work of the American Board for Mohammedans."

A telegram was received from the Woman's Missionary Union of the Montgomery Presbyterian Southern Churches in session at Lynchburg, Va., sending greeting on the occasion of the Haystack Centennial.

An address was made by Rev. Henry G. Bissell, of India, upon "India's Millions for Christ."

Prayer was offered and the benediction pronounced by Rev. Edward L. Smith, of Seattle, Wash., and adjournment was taken to 9 o'clock Friday morning.

FRIDAY MORNING, OCTOBER 12

A devotional half hour was led by Rev. Frank N. White, of Chicago.

The President took the chair at 9.30.

A hymn was sung.

Excuses for absence were received from the following Corporate Members: G. C. Adams, J. B. Angell, O. G. Baldwin, Smith Baker, W. E. Barton, C. A. Beckwith, G. N. Boardman, R. B. Borden, A. H. Bradford, W. L. Bray, C. R. Brown, E. R. Brown, J. E. Brown, M. H. Buckham, M. A. Bullock, C. R. Burt, C. H. Case, E. W. Chapin, O. V. Coffin, S. V. Cole, J. M. Comstock, J. M. Craig, S. C. Darling, J. G. Davenport, W. F. Day, N. P. Dodge, T. C. Edwards, Ralph Emerson, Margaret J. Evans, W. H. Fenn, E. P. Flint, Walter Frear, A. L. Frisbie, J. H. George, E. F. Grabill, A. P. Hall, J. M. W. Hall, Mrs. J. F. Hardin, George Harris, Edward Hawes, Caroline Hazard, H. J. Heinz, D. Willis James, L. E. Jepson, D. P. Jones, W. H. Laird, Mary P. H. Leake, F. W. Lyman, F. B. Makepeace, W. W. McLane, T. B. McLeod, L. A. McMurray, G. R. Merrill, J. G. Merrill, I. W. Metcalf, C. S. Mills, S. B. L. Penrose, C. H. Richards, W. A. Robinson, G. H. Rust, Doremus Scudder, W. S. Smart, H. M. Stevens, J. W. Strong, J. M. Sturtevant, Reuen Thomas, W. B. Thorp, E. G. Updike, S. H. Virgin, W. H. Warren, J. M. Whitehead, E. Whittlesey, E. P. Wilcox, E. F. Williams, J. B. Williams.

Mr. A. W. Benedict, for the Business Committee, reported the draft of a letter addressed to the Hon. Elihu Root, Secretary of State, as follows: —

Concerning the barbarities and slavery inflicted upon African natives by the Independent State of the Congo, it is currently reported that the British Foreign Secretary stated in the House of Commons on July 5, last, that if other Powers would join Great Britain in insisting upon reforms in that state, the government would welcome them. In view of this statement, the American Board of Commissioners for Foreign Missions, celebrating its Haystack Centennial at North Adams and Williamstown, Mass., October 9 to 12 inst., expresses its earnest desire that this suggestion from England be met, and that the United States, through its representatives at the next International Peace Convention at The Hague, may, so far as is consistent, exert its moral influence toward the prompt and effective correction of existing abuses and the abolition of these abundant and seemingly well-attested atrocities.

This letter was approved and direction given that it be forwarded to Secretary Root.

The Business Committee also presented the following resolution, which was adopted: —

Resolved, That a committee be appointed to consider and report at the next Annual Meeting of the Board upon the wisdom and feasibility of the erection at Williamstown, Mass., of an appropriate memorial commemorative of this centennial meeting, together with approximate expense of such memorial and suggestions as to methods of providing for the same.

The President appointed as committee: Pres. Henry Hopkins, Pres. W. J.

Tucker, A. W. Benedict, Frank A. Day, O. H. Ingram, Rev. E. M. Williams, Rev. S. Parkes Cadman.

The following resolution was presented by the Business Committee: —

The Board would put on record its appreciation of the many years of devoted service rendered by the Rev. Judson Smith, D.D., as Corresponding Foreign Secretary, and its profound sense of loss in his death.

Remarks were made upon the resolution by Pres. Edward D. Eaton, and the resolution was adopted.

Addresses were made by Rev. F. B. Bridgman, of the South African Mission; Dr. H. N. Kinnear, of Foochow; Rev. E. G. Tewksbury, of North China; Rev. Stephen vR. Trowbridge, under appointment for Central Turkey; Mrs. Trowbridge; Rev. John S. Chandler, of Madura; Dr. Edwin St. John Ward, under commission for Eastern Turkey; Miss Charlotte Allen, also under commission to the same mission; Rev. Robert E. Hume and Miss Laura A. Caswell, now under commission for the Marathi Mission; Rev. A. W. Staub, under commission of the Board, not designated; Rev. Mr. Marcusson, of Chicago, formerly commissioned by the Board, now conducting a mission for Jews in Chicago.

Prayer was offered by Rev. William R. Richards, of New York.

The Business Committee reported, through Rev. Edward Lincoln Smith, the following resolutions: —

At the close of its Ninety-seventh Annual Meeting, the most historic meeting in its history, the American Board desires to make grateful acknowledgment of the many favors of which it has been the recipient.

The thanks of the Board are extended to the Christian people of North Adams, who have entertained us generously; to the pastor, committees, and members of the Congregational church; to the Baptist, Protestant Episcopal, and especially to the Methodist Episcopal churches, for the use of their houses of worship; to the faculty, trustees, and students of Williams College; to the pastor and members of the Congregational church of Williamstown; and to all other friends in Adams, North Adams, and Williamstown who have assisted by financial help or signal hospitality to make this one of the great meetings of the Board.

The thanks of the Board are extended to those who have participated in the program, especially to those who have come from other denominations to address us; to those who have assisted in the music, the ushering, the decorations; to the press, for full and sympathetic reports of the sessions; and to the Boston and Albany Railroad, for many courtesies.

The thanks of the Board are extended to Pres. George A. Gates, D.D., for his timely and inspiring sermon, and a copy is asked for publication.

The thanks of the Board are extended to its missionaries and officials, to pastors and laymen, who have given special and tireless effort in the raising of the million dollar fund, and to the great body of givers, small and large, who have made that million dollars possible. To Rev. Arthur H. Smith, D.D., who left his exacting and important labors in China to participate in this campaign, and to Mrs. Smith, the loving sympathy of the Board is extended in the sad loss of their son and only child.

With great satisfaction the Board would call the attention of the churches to the action of the Prudential Committee in arranging for the visitation of the fields during the coming year by its chairman, the Foreign Corresponding Secretary, two of the Field Secretaries, and certain other Corporate Members, to the end that those who carry on the business of the Board at home may have all possible first-hand information regarding the condition, needs, and prospects of its work abroad.

The Board would urge upon the Congregational churches of the country, whose servant it is, that the completion of the million dollar fund be regarded as in no way war-

ranting a relaxing of effort, but rather as removing an obstacle to a far more triumphant advance. Profoundly grateful to God for the answer to the prayers of the Haystack Meeting and the prayers of all good friends of missions, which answer we see in part in the ninety-seven years of life and work of this Board, we appeal to the churches that they will never do less for the cause than they have done during the past year, that they will each one make some offering to the Board's work, and so become co-workers with Jesus Christ in the conquest of the world. May the motto be ours for the coming year in the form suggested by one of our devoted missionaries, "We can — we will."

Remarks were made by Mr. Clinton Q. Richmond, of North Adams, chairman of the Committee of Entertainment, and by Rev. W. E. Thompson, of North Adams, pastor of the Methodist Episcopal Church, in which the Board met.

Rev. Theodore E. Busfield made a response in behalf of the Congregational churches of North Adams and Williamstown to the resolution of thanks.

President Capen made a response in behalf of the Board, expressing the gratitude of the Board to the people of North Adams and Williamstown for their hospitality.

Rev. E. E. Strong led in prayer and pronounced the benediction, and the Board adjourned without day.

EDWARD N. PACKARD, *Assistant Recording Secretary.*

Committee Reports at the Annual Meeting

Committee on the Report of the Home Department

Rev. R. W. McLaughlin, Chairman

IN a somewhat decadent fishing village on the Maine coast there is a rather interesting postmaster, by name Captain Jones, who receives the mail once a week during ten months of the year, and during July and August receives it once a day in order to accommodate the few summer visitors. The speaker, while spending his vacation there the last summer, had as the guest of his family a young lady, by name Mabel Jones. She had reason to believe that a letter had been mailed to her from New York on Saturday, and so on Monday evening called at the post office for the same. Much to her surprise there was no letter. However, the next afternoon over came the postmaster to the cottage with a letter addressed to her. Upon inquiring where it had come from — as there had been no mail since she had called — the postmaster confessed that he had received it in the mail of the night before. But upon reading the address upon the envelope he had been so attracted to it that he could not pass it on to its owner. "For," he said, "I had a sister, by name Mabel Jones, and she married seventeen years ago and went West. And I hadn't seen this name for all these years. So when yesterday I saw the name I just put it on the window sill, and from time to time I've looked at it. But a few minutes ago it occurred to me that you might want the letter, so I've brought it over."

And the committee felt somewhat in the mood of this quaint old postmaster after reading the report of the Home Department. It had not seen anything like it for seventeen and more years. It wants to put it on the window sill and look at it from time to time. It recalls so many hopes hitherto unrealized. It awakens so many lines of thought. It raises so many questions that must be answered.

But, after all, the report does not belong to the committee, but to you; and our duty is not to look at it and yield to the sentiment of our hearts, but to pass it on

to you, that at your leisure you may, as it were, tear open the envelope and read its contents.

But in handing to you this report this morning, permit us to summarize the same in about three expressions. And the first is, the report is disturbing because of a revelation it contains. Since reading the report, the committee has taken some pains to inquire of others regarding their understanding of the situation as to volunteers for the foreign field, and without exception have found the impression prevalent that young men and women for this work were abundant, and the only question was one of money with which to send them. Not so, says Secretary Patton in his report. The supply is inadequate. This, the committee believe, is a revelation to most of our churches, and must be passed along the line until our Congregational force understand the situation.

The second expression the committee wishes to use in summarizing the report is that it is quickening in the indications it gives of far-reaching plans of work now being carried out on the home field. Whatever may be the facts regarding the individual members of the home churches and the large number of churches which do not contribute, it is not true that our officials are playing with this great work. When one keeps in mind the distinction between a business organization and a religious society, the distinction being that the one is compulsory and the other is voluntary, it is little short of marvelous the high efficiency of the effort and the variety and number of the agencies now at work to make possible the results.

A third expression which the committee wishes to use in summarizing the report is the ground for encouragement which the report gives, due, not to the results aimed at, but rather to the results achieved. The committee refers, of course, to the financial returns. Let us not forget that apart from the announcement made by Secretary Patton on Tuesday afternoon the report would still be a most encouraging one; for when the books of the Treasurer closed, on September 10, there had then been received $913,159.64 — the largest amount in the history of the Board. And when this statement is analyzed it is found that the gain over previous years was due entirely to the gifts of the living. We need to return to the good old New England days when no one was supposed to have died properly who did not upon death leave something in his will for the Board. But while we are working our way back to the old legacy idea, it is cause for profound gratitude that this great work is increasing its hold upon the hearts and minds of the living. And so in presenting this report upon the report of the Home Department the committee would note the danger in the present situation, due to a lack of recruits, the weakness caused by the failure of many churches to contribute, the confidence in the officers inspired by the evidence of thorough planning and wise execution, and the fresh courage aroused by the rising tide of contributions as a result of the prayers and efforts of all those identified with the cause.

Committee on the Report of the Foreign Department

Rev. Raymond Calkins, Chairman

YOUR committee to whom has been assigned the task of reviewing the printed reports for the year upon the various missions of the Board report on the interest and pleasure with which the task has been performed, and submit certain considerations as a result of this review, as follows: —

We have been impressed with the high level of Christian personality among the missionaries. The unconscious spirit and atmosphere of these reports is that of sober courage, quiet persistency of endeavor. undaunted zeal and godliness among

the missionaries alike of the medical and the evangelistic staffs. The bravery and loyalty of the women, as brought out in the report of the Umzumbe Home, in the Zulu Mission, is reflected everywhere.

We note, also, the *ready adaptability* of the workers to changed conditions, as evidenced in the reports. Everywhere in heathen lands history is making fast, and the new emphasis upon educational work, the improvement of equipment and curriculum to meet an awakening heathendom, show a fine initiative and energy on the part of our undermanned, underpaid missionaries. The splendid native work being encouraged everywhere, except where severe home retrenchments are making it impossible, is another illustration of the progressive attitude of the force.

We note, again, as a most encouraging feature of these reports, the increasing spirit of coöperation and alliance for the protection and furthering of common interests among the variously denominated mission stations on the field. The power of organized effort is being made increasingly apparent in such missions as that of Ceylon, with its great group of native helpers, and that of the Marathi Mission, which, in the face of prohibitive and cruel retrenchments, is conducting a progressive and increasing work.

But it seems to your committee that the reports indicate that the men on the field are doing better than the men and churches at home. Our support is not commensurate with their efficiency and devotion. The need of reënforcements is everywhere seriously apparent. Some of the missionaries are breaking down; all are meeting increased opportunities and demands upon their time and strength.

It seems clear, from the reports, that we are approaching a crisis in European Turkey, Eastern Turkey, the Madura and Marathi Missions in India, and in the Chinese and African Missions. More men and more means are tragically needed. Where, as in the Eastern Turkey Mission, the country is declining and poverty is increasing, the need of better home support is *most imperative.* It is a lamentable fact that in several of the missions the reduction in grants for native work, necessitated by the policy of the Board and the failure of the home churches, has seriously impaired the force and efficiency of the native corps of workers. It seems to your committee a crying shame that for the lack of a few dollars men in large numbers, already trained at the expense of the Board, must needs be sent adrift when their education is finished. It is at once suicidal to real success and demoralizing to the men.

The reports are a revelation of splendid and heroic effort. Let us meet the needs as well *here* as the missionaries meet them *there.*

Committee on the Treasurer's Report

Joshua W. Davis, Chairman

With customary care the officers of the Board have already distributed copies of the Treasurer's report, inviting perusal. But with the later glorious news of the complete covering of the debt, what more can we gather from perusal, for how can we possibly enter into the details of these necessarily condensed columns of dry figures?

Our Lord, who of old sat over against the treasury and set his measure on the gifts cast in, and by it stimulated soulful gifts for all ages, will surely touch our eyes, so that neither these figures nor anything in the work shall seem commonplace, but the rather be transfigured and reveal the real inwardness of this business document.

The garment our Lord girded about him in his daily ministries was of the common native cloth, but it was really glorified the moment he took it for his use before it shone on the Mount of Transfiguration. And though he still veils his glory under the homespun robe of the little gifts of his people, surely our eyes will not be holden, but we shall see his beauty in every item of his gracious working in his children.

Therefore with a deep stirring of heart in thankfulness to Him we note this year's increase of gifts from living donors, through the devotedly earnest appeals of our secretaries, missionaries, pastors, and other leaders, and in the consecrated response of thousands in the churches. And we would not lessen the emphasis of joy and thanksgiving over this increase when we add that it requires an effort to hold ourselves steady in faith and thankfulness when we see this and other years' gain cut down by the falling off of legacies. A few even drop the unwise word, "Legacies are always a lottery," and their zeal is chilled.

Look at the facts. Legacy receipts this last year are $10,000 below the previous year, when they were at the average of the last ten years ($135,000), and that was $40,000 below the average of the previous *eight* years ($175,000), and $82,000 below the average of the three highest of those eight years ($217,000); and that very much higher range in general legacies twelve to eighteen years ago was in no wise due to the Otis and Swett legacies of over a million and a half, they being wholly additional, and separately credited and separately used, chiefly for enlargements of the work.

Certainly with this weakness at this point of "Legacies as a reliance" there is no question that duty requires a devoted setting ourselves to the creating of an atmosphere of consecration on this line of bequests as well as of generous giving during life.

Our craving to see immediate results will not make us at first enthusiastic in such a slow, though important, work of education; but it will be a test whether we will humbly place ourselves in *still further sympathy* with our Lord's patience in his methods, having already begun on educational lines with the young. Last year's successful effort with a small portion of the churches, intended to be educational and permanent in its results, will continue another year and require our ardent coöperation; and it is intensely important whether these two years of special work among the churches shall be made by them really educational and permanently upbuilding of interest in missions, or be only spasmodic in effect, requiring repetition, which is weakening.

But to return to the specific point of legacies, it is an important question whether we are laying foundations for our prayers and efforts for legacies in *deep, earnest thanksgiving for those already received.* Some have, but *how many* of us have actually presented before God one thankful recognition of legacies received? (It is to be noted that the list of "Legacy Funds" in the Treasurer's report is a reminder of the many more legacies that are not set apart as *separate* funds.)

Have we not known a widow, who has been living somewhat alone, and economically, and who could give only a small sum at the monthly and annual collections, but has comforted herself and thanked the Lord that she could look forward to leaving a part or all her little property by will to the dear cause? And have *we* carefully planned and labored, individually and collectively, that children, relatives, and others be influenced towards that kind of thank-offering, after having carefully included in our own will what the Lord, in repeated holy conferences with him concerning it, has shown to be his wish from us?

We gratefully rejoice in the increase of Conditional Gifts as stated by the Treasurer, and do not forget that from them, as they gradually mature and become available, we shall derive substantial but variable sums; but this will be indefinite years ahead, when growth in the work will imperatively require increase of means far beyond any amounts that may then become free for use from that source.

And the urgency therefore remains for vigorous and patient cultivation of resources from legacies, as already argued, not abating one whit from our most consecrated effort.

There may be an honest, undefined fear in some mind lest in this sphere of hard business realities we weave into our thought too large a measure of idealism; but we believe our Lord will help us to keep sane and healthy, while we seek the stimulus of spiritual perception and cultivate its constant exercise.

During the summer, while only lightly impressed with the beauty of many large groups of flowers, one day we paused with a microscope over one or two single flowers, and were quickened into reverent wonder and praise at the new revelations of the immeasurable wisdom and beauty of God's workings; and yet our feeble glass showed only a part.

So with our limited knowledge in mission matters as a small magnifying glass, we pause over some one item in the report concerning a mission of which you know the most — one in which, it may be, a son or daughter or friend is a worker; and you have prayed for that field and its workers. Thinking humbly of your small gift included in the sum allotted to that mission, you notice a golden vial marking the prayers for that field — and it gleams like a star; and, unperceived before, a wonderful array of such stars, some of the first magnitude, grouping themselves into words, and you see these words are God's promises. And these starry vials, full of odors, presented before the Lord are indeed the prayers of his children, but also their consecrated savings — the self-denying, prayerfully surrendered and prayerfully followed gifts, which he treasures and *never fails to bless, even to the great consummations of eternity.*

What an immeasurable treasury of ultimate assets for the missions!

Of course in the constant cry for brevity the Treasurer could not give even a glimpse of these.

Looking again at his columns, the figures are not so much notations of money values as forms of consecrated personality, not so much numerals as faces — luminous faces — of givers and workers, instinct with the light of love and worship.

One figure bears the face of one who has just entered within the vail, and represents *her last gift;* and another that of a young Christian, joyful over depositing his first earnings. And hidden behind the Treasurer's list of expenditures for the missions, lessening them, are the gifts of native Christians — in one place a penny, the commercial value of a little dish of rice, but really an alabaster box from a Hindu woman. Time would fail to tell the vision that bursts forth from these closely packed columns; and the luster of many of these gifts is as of a stream of jewels pouring into the treasury, covering some rusty coins among them, it is true.

But what a multitude of glowing faces, and what glory in them! You wish you knew more of them, but do recognize some, and among them some missionaries, giving part of their small salaries as well as their whole selves. And inseparably mingling in this stream of giving, praying, and labor, busy conferring and working over questions affecting this report, are the familiar faces of the Treasurer and secretaries — ofttimes tired, but cheerful faces.

Best of all results from this deeper sense of the unseen, you will by this time reverently and in silence have felt constrained to kneel with the Treasurer's and the *Missionary Herald* monthly reports in your hand and consecrate yourself, as never before, to prayer and thanksgiving for the givers, who are the foundation for a Treasurer's report, and for their increasing prayerfulness over their increasing gifts.

And if we continue faithful to this new inspiration, the pleas of our Home Secretary for more soul-absorbing prayer and gifts will begin to be realized, and the million dollars be continuously raised, and soul harvests over the whole field, for which all the rest is the indispensable means, will be gathered in; for soul pouring out by us as well as by our Lord is the price of soul harvesting.

And mark you, dear brethren, any increase of our gifts and of our prayers will be of real, living power only in proportion as we give thanks over the cases of conversion of individuals and of groups through the great field, and in proportion as we grow in the sense of the exceeding grace and patience and tenderness of God's working in these cases, which in reading the *Missionary Herald* we have often passed over too lightly as small items.

Rays of light reach us that seem to be from a tiny star, but that diminutive star is a *world* many times greater than our sun. The awakening of a soul in Asia or Africa is to us like the shining of a little star — but oh! the immeasurable, far-reaching glory of it!

But nothing has yet been suggested of the reason for sympathetic *appreciation* which a scrutiny of the Treasurer's report reveals. Realize the wisdom, patience, and endurance required in the multitudinous duties of that office. One feature out of a great variety will illustrate.

Friends bequeath pieces of real estate in various parts of the country (*and we earnestly pray for more*) and others give or bequeath special stocks and bonds, these various properties to be held until they yield an expected improvement in value, which is the hope of the yearning givers.

But consider the inquiries and watching this involves, sometimes for years, to determine the wise time to realize upon each item in the list. And on another line of the Treasurer's thought and that of his earnest counselors, the Finance Committee, the changing values of investments — *three hundred* separate items of investment to be watched. Of these your committee now reporting has examined the present value, and is pleased to report the total value encouragingly above cost.

Scrutinizing that item in the report to which business attention is always directed, the cost of administration, your committee plainly perceives that the Treasurer and his assistants have borne their share along with the missionaries in the burden of insufficient funds. And we admire their self-sacrificing overwork and strain for the sake of economy, all quietly hidden from general view. But we must not be blind to the inseparable and inexorable fact that overwork and undue strain tend to breakdowns in health and to weakening of vital efficiency, and have so resulted in many instances in the field, where replacing of such disabled working force is wastefully expensive, as the Treasurer's reports show. And such undue pressure is grievously unjust, even when it does not reach such serious result.

Adjustment of sufficient receipts to all the work, alike in the broad field and in the home departments, is the serious problem before this gathering, and claims the consecrated attention of *all* the churches.